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104TH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

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EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN MINISTERIUM

OF

PENNSYLVANIA

AND

THE ADJACENT STATES.

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ALLENTOWN, LEHIGH COUNTY, PA.

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PROCEEDINGS.

In accordance with a resolution passed at the last annual meeting, the members of the "German Evangelical Lutheran Ministerium of Pennsylvania and the adjacent states" assembled at Allentown, Pa., on the 15th of June 1851.

On Sunday morning the President, Rev. J. W. Richards, preached the Synodical sermon, from Lk. 24, 48: "And ye are witnesses of these things." In the afternoon the Secretary, Rev. J. W. Eyer, preached from Mtth. 5, 6: "Blessed are they that hunger and thirst after righteousness, for they shall be filled;" and in the evening Rev. E. W. Hutter from 2 Cor. 5, 17: "If any man be in Christ Jesus he is a new creature; old things are passed away, behold all things have become new."

Rev. W. G. Minnig preached on Sunday morning in the German Reformed church from Jer. 8, 22: "Is there no balm in Gilead? Is there no physician there? Why then is not the health of the daughter of my people recovered?" And other members of the Synod officiated in the different churches of Allentown, viz.: Rev. Messrs. C. W. Schæffer and C. A. Hay in the Presbyterian church, Rev. J. R. Focht in the English Methodist church from Ps. 93, 5: "Thy testimonies are very sure; holiness becometh thine house, O Lord, forever;" and on Sunday evening Rev. Schwankowsky in the German Reformed church.

I. SYNODICAL BUSINESS.

FIRST SESSION.

Monday, June 16th, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Synod assembled for the transaction of business. The President, Rev. J. W. Richards, opened the meeting with singing and prayer. The roll was then called. The following members of

Synod were present and took their seats in due order, together with the delegates from their respective congregations, viz:

Names of the Ministers.	Residence.	Names of Delegates.
Rev. *D. Ulrich,*	Stouchstown,	Samuel Lindenmuth.
" *J. C. Baker, D. D.*	Lancaster,	John Ehler.
" *C. Miller,*	New Hanover,	Michael Koch.
" *H. G. Stecher,*	Hummelstown,	
" *C. R. Demme, D. D.*	Philadelphia,	John Deininger.
" *G. A. Reichert,*	Philadelphia,	John Hess.
" *G. F. J. Jæger,*	Hamburg,	Matthias Kistler.
" *W. J. Eyer,*	Catawissa,	Stephen Baldy.
" *J. W. Richards,*	Reading,	Dr. H. H. Muhlenberg.
" *J. Bahl,*	Berwick,	Joseph Blank.
" *H. S. Miller,*	Trappe,	Frederick Wampole.
" *C. P. Miller,*	Bucksville,	Frederick Fischler.
" *W. B. Kæmmer,*	Richlandtown,	John Cressman.
" *Joshua Jæger,*	Allentown,	Jacob Sæger.
" *C. F. Schæffer, D.D.*	Easton,	Henry Hamman.
" *J. Rœller,*	Kutztown,	John M. Reiter.
" *J. Schindel,*	South-Whitehall,	William Mink.
" *M. Herpel,*	UpperMountBethel,	
" *E. Peixoto,*	Tylersport,	Frederick Lutz.
" *C. F. Welden,*	Berrysburg,	Jeremiah Hœrner.
" *A. Fuchs,*	Bath,	Jacob Scheimer.
" *C. W. Schæffer,*	Germantown,	
" *L. G. Eggers,*	Palmyra,	Leonard Walborn.
" *G. M. Merz,*	Chambersburg,	
" *W. G. Minnig,*	Pottsville,	Jacob Kohler.
" *A. T. Geissenhainer,*	New York,	
" *C. A. Hay,*	Harrisburg,	William Dock.
" *E. Breidenbaugh,*	Pinegrove,	
" *E. A. Bauer,*	Lehighton,	
" *F. A. M. Keller,*	Reading,	Asaph Schenfelder.
" *J. Vogelbach,*	Harrisburg,	Frederick Rauch.
" *G. A. Wenzel,*	Stone Church,	Joseph Hunsberger.
" *H. Garlich,*	Brooklyn,	
" *J. Kohler,*	New Holland,	George Weidler.
" *N. Jæger,*	Orwigsburg,	Jacob Huntzinger.
" *J. C. Schmidt,*	Bernville,	C. W. Esser.
" *J. C. Zeumer,*	Pittsburg,	
" *W. M. Heilig,*	Middletown,	
" *F. Walz,*	Wilmington,	
" *M. Sondhaus,*	Tamaqua,	
" *S. K. Brobst,*	Allentown,	
" *W. Gerhard,*	Elisabethtown,	Samuel Daily.
" *G. F. Miller,*	Pottstown,	Peter Weaver.
" *G. F. Krotel,*	Lebanon,	Henry Kroh.
" *T. T. Jæger,*	Brickersville,	Peter Gerhard.
Cand. *R. S. W. Wagner,*	Reading,	
" *J. Menges,*	Columbia,	
" *E. W. Hutter,*	Philadelphia,	
" *C. C. A. Brandt,*	New York,	

Names of the Ministers.	Residence.	Names of Delegates.
Cand. *J. R. Focht,*	Westmoreland,	
" *J. Clemens Miller,*	Phœnixville,	John Miller.

Delegate from the congregation of Mount Joy: Jacob Sauder.

The following brethren were absent:

Rev. *Wm. Bætis,* Senior of the Ministerium, excused.
" *J. W. Hemping,* "
" *J. C. Strein,* "
" *S. A. Mealy,* "
" *F. W. Geissenhainer,* "
" *S. Trumbauer,* "
" *J. Stein,* "
" *W. German,* "
" *J. B. Gross,* "
" *J. J. Benninger,* "
" *G. Schulze,* "
" *J. Medtart,* "
" *J. C. Barnitz,* "
" *C. F. Stœver,* "
" *D. Köhler,* "
" *C. G. Friederich,* "
" *C. F. F. Sallmann,* "
" *C. Erle,* "
" *C. G. A. Neuman,* "
" *A. Bergner,* "
" *P. F. Feysel,* "

The delegates from other Synods were now introduced and took their seats, viz: Rev. Dr. W. D. Strobel, from the Synod of New-York; Rev. Dr. C. P. Krauth, from the Synod of West Pennsylvania; Rev. Dr. H. L. Baugher, from the Synod of Maryland; Rev. Charles Herman and Rev. C. Kessler, from the Synod of the German Reformed church; Rev. Dr. Wm. M. Reynolds, from the General Synod of Ohio.

The following brethren were received as advisory members, viz: Rev. A. H. Lochman and Rev. S. Boyer, from the Synod of West-Pennsylvania; Rev. P. Anstætt, from the Synod of Maryland; Rev. F. G. Mashop and Rev. C. A. Smith, from the Synod of New York; Rev. J. B. Crist, Agent of the Lutheran Parent Education Society; Rev. Messrs. Dubs, Pœrner, Hess and Dr. Becker, of the German Reformed church; Rev. Messrs. T. Stork, F. Ruthrauff, G. Diehl, A. C. Wedekind and G. Heilig, from the Synod of East Pennsylvania; Rev. Walker, Pastor of the Presbyterian church in Allentown; and Rev. Esbjorn, Pastor of the Swedish Lutheran church in Andover, Illinois.

Those congregations which sent no delegates to the present Synod were unanimously excused.

The Synod consisted of one hundred and seven members.

Rev. J. W. Richards, President of the Synod, then read his Official Report, which was received and subsequently handed to the first committee, to be reported upon.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT.

TO THE "EVANG. LUTHERAN MINISTERIUM OF PENNSYLVANIA AND THE ADJACENT STATES."

ASSEMBLED AT ALLENTOWN, PA., JUNE 15th &c. 1851.

Rev. Fathers and Brethren in the Lord!

I have the honor in obedience to the requirements of the Constitution to lay before you a report of my official duties, during the past Synodical year,—and that I may do this the more satisfactorily, I arrange them in classes.

I. Deaths.

The assembling of this body is always an event that causes us much pleasure; we meet again in the land of the living and are refreshed by our intercourse. But this pleasure is often mingled with sadness.—We do not all meet again; one or the other of those who labored with us, rests from his labor. Thus it is this year. Br. P. Oberfeldt has been called home! He lost his life on the 4th of September 1850 in attempting to save a family from the flood in Tamaqua. A magnanimous end! May he have entered into the joys of his Lord! The Synod will take due notice of his death.—And our worthy Father G. Minnig has also been called home. "He came to his grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in, in his season." The Synod will pay due regard also to his memory. He died April 7th 1851 in the 78th year of his age.

II. Pastoral Changes.

1. A. D. 1850. On the 7th of June I received a letter from Br. Hay, at Harrisburg, in which he informed me that he had through sympathy for the Brick Church Congregation, four miles from Harrisburg, temporarily taken charge of them and earnestly requested that a missionary should be sent into that neighborhood. I returned a suitable answer and wrote immediately to the Missionary committee and laid the matter before them. See No. 2.

2. On the 13th of June I received a letter from Candidate J. R. Focht, in which he asks permission to take charge of a vacant congregation at Alleghany in Berks county. In-as-much as this congregation for many years stood in connection with another which he serves I gave him the desired permission. No. 5.

3. On the 18th of June I was requested by Candidate Brandt at Manayunk, to allow him to preach in German for the congregation at Norristown for one year. Candidate J. C. Miller is to preach for them in the English language. I granted his request. No. 6.

4. On the 1st of July a letter from Candidate J. R. Focht in which he requested permission to take charge of the congregation at Geiger's after their church shall be completed. As he had already preached for them in the school house and the congregation had arisen in part out of his Forrest church and from its position should be embraced in his district. I granted his request. No. 7.

5. On the 26th of August Rev. J. Jæger informed me that he had taken charge of the congregation at Sinking Spring, recently served by Dr. Miller of Reading.

6. On the 17th of September I received another letter from Candidate J. R. Focht, in which he desired permission to resign his con-

gregations and take charge of others in Westmoreland county. In-as-much as he pleaded want of support as the reason, I granted him his request. No. 12.

7. On the same day Br. C. Gerhardt wrote to me informing me that he would resign his congregation at Harrisburg and remove to Abbottstown. No. 13.

8. At the same time I received a letter from Br. Merz in which he stated that he had resigned his charge at Chambersburg. No. 14.

9. About the same time Br. Brandt wrote and described the mournful situation of affairs at Manayunk in consequence of the inundation &c., and because his congregation had suffered very much, he requested permission to serve Wilmington along with it. I gave him this permission until the meeting of Synod, provided both congregations and the Mission Committee were satisfied, and Br. Waltz would resign at Wilmington. No. 15.

10. Whilst I was at Lebanon in September Br. Krotel informed me that he intended in November following to resign his country churches and serve only the town congregation. But he afterwards wrote to me that the old arrangement would be continued.

11. On the 28th of September Br. Breidenbaugh wrote that he had taken charge of the congregation at Friedensburg.

12. On the 2d of October I received a letter from the church council of the first German Lutheran congregation at Pittsburg, requesting me to recommend to them several ministers as pastors. I did so. No. 16.

13. On the 22d of November Br. Zeumer wrote to me that he had received and accepted a call from that congregation. The Lord add his blessing to this arrangement. No. 29.

14. On the 16th of October I received a letter from the Rev. W. J. Mann of Philadelphia, informing me that he had accepted a call to the Evangelical Lutheran St. Michael's church of that city and would apply for admission into our Synod at its present meeting. The letter was accompanied by a flattering recommendation from Dr. Bibighaus. No. 17.

15. On the 30th of October Rev. N. Jæger wrote to me that he had taken charge of the congregation near Lewistown, Schuylkill county, recently served by Rev. Oberfeldt. No. 20.

16. On the 18th of October I was informed by Rev. C. Stœver that he had resigned his charge at Berrysburg and intended to form a new one in Dauphin county. No. 19.

17. On the 31st of October Rev. Clemens Miller wrote for permission to resign the congregation at Norristown and take charge of those formerly served by Br. Welden in Chester county. I granted his request, upon the condition that the congregation should be supplied; and I did the more readily, as he stated that Br. Brandt would resign and he could not preach German. No. 22.

18. On the 1st of November Br. Vogelbach informed me that he had left the congregation at Pittsburg and resumed his former charge at Harrisburg. He laments, however, the fact that this district had been divided. No. 23.

19. On the same day Br. Menges requested permission to take charge of the English Lutheran congregation in Columbia and to

resign the congregations of Mount Joy and Manheim. As he stated that Dr. Becker approved of the arrangement, I granted him his request. No. 25.

20. On the 8th of November Br. W. Gerhardt reported that he had given up the congregation at Maytown, expecting that now a new district could be formed and his charge would not be so laborious. No. 25.

21. On the 12th of November a letter from Candidate Brandt announcing that he had given up Manayunk and Norristown and requesting permission to visit the Dryland charge, recently served by Br. Wentzel. It was granted. No. 28.

22. At the same time Br. Wenzel informed me that he had resigned the Dryland charge and accepted a call to Mount Bethel, Northampton county.

23. On the 11th of December I received a letter from Candidate Wagner, informing me that he had been unanimously elected by the congregations of Spiess, Schwarzwald, Elsass, Alleghany and Wyomissing in the vicinity of Reading. As I had already given him permission to serve these congregations, if elected, I wished him the blessing of God upon his settlement there. No. 35.

24. On the 12th of December I received a letter from Rev. Sondhaus informing me that he had taken charge of the Tamaqua district.

25. A. D. 1851. On the 3d of January a letter from Candidate (ad interim) Lorenzen in New York, in which he states that he had resigned his charge in Jersey City and requests permission to labor among the North Germans in New York with Br. Brandt. I gave him the desired permission conditionally; namely, that he should labor under the inspection and with the co-operation of Br. F. W. Geissenhainer and Br. Brandt and that his former mission should not suffer thereby. No. 36.

On the 21st of the same month I recalled this permission, because Br. Brandt declined his aid, (at first he desired it,) and for other reasons;—and on the 5th of February Mr. Lorenzen returned to me his ad interim license with the intimation that he would operate independently of the Synod. He is therefore now in no wise connected with this Ministerium.

It is very desirable that the brethren should be extremely careful in recommending any one to the President for license ad interim as he must rely almost entirely upon their recommendation, and great injury may result, if they act too hastily. No. 36. 39.

26. On the 8th of January I received a letter from Br. Welden, stating that he had taken charge in October last of the congregations in Dauphin county, formerly served by Father Hemping, but resigned by him in consequence of the infirmities of his age. No. 37.

27. On the 9th of January Br. Clemens Miller wrote, that, in accordance with the permission granted him, he had taken charge of the district in Chester county, recently served by Br. Welden. No. 38.

28. On the 13th of February Br. N. Jæger informed me that he had resigned his charge in Middleport. No. 41.

29. On the 22d of February I received a communication from Rev. J. McCron, Evangelical Lutheran Pastor at Greenwich, New-

Jersey. From this it appears that he had received and accepted a call from the Evang. Luth. congregation at Norristown and intended to apply for admission into our Ministerium at the present session, upon which occasion, if not previously, he would present his honorable dismission from the Synod with which he is now connected. As he is a worthy brother, he is recommended to this body. No. 42.

30. In the month of April I received a letter from Rev. Dr. C. F. Schæffer, in which he informed me that he had taken charge of the St. Johns congregation in Easton, recently served by me; and that he would connect himself with our Synod. May the Lord richly bless this pastor and people!

31. On the 16th of March I commenced my labors as pastor of Trinity-church (the old Lutheran) in Reading, after having received several calls from that congregation. I believe I acted in accordance with the will of God in the matter and hope for his blessing.

III. Vacant Charges.

1. A. D. 1850. On the 3d of August Dr. Demme wrote that the congregations at Block-house &c., desired a minister and that he had directed them to apply to me. I knew of no one for them and have since heard nothing from those congregations.

2. On the 24th of November I received a letter from the St. Paul's and James' congregations in Clearfield county, requesting me to send them a minister who could preach in both languages. But although "the harvest is great, the laborers are few." O that we might exert ourselves, that the Lord would send forth laborers into his harvest— I could send no one. No. 31.

3. On the 30th of the same month Mr. Sauder of Mount Joy wrote to me, asking for a minister to form a new pastoral district in that region. Alas! I still had none to send! No. 32.

4. On the same day Rev. C. Miller requested me to recommend some one for the vacant charge at Norristown. He communicated the gratifying intelligence that, in consequence of the arrangement recently made there, there were encouraging prospects of success. This place has since been supplied. No. 33.

5. A. D. 1851. On the 29th of May I received a letter from the principal members of the second German congregation at Pottsville, in which they inform me, that they had dismissed their minister, Mr. Nantz, in consequence of his deportment, and now desired an upright minister. I answered the letter. No. 44.

6. On the 4th of June I received a letter from Mr. Nantz in which he withdrew his previously made application for admission into this Ministerium. No. 45.

There are other charges and single churches vacant, in regard to which, however, I can report nothing, in-as-much as nothing was officially communicated to me concerning them.

IV. Ad interim licenses and applications for admission.

1. A. D. 1851. On the 7th of June I received a letter from the brethren F. W. Geissenhainer and A. Held in New York, in which they earnestly requested me to grant an ad interim license to Mr. Paul Lorenzen from Holstein, in Denmark. They gave a very favorable description of him. As they desired to have him a Mis-

sionary in New Jersey, near to New York, and assured me that they had carefully examined him and found him competent and worthy, and as our Constitution did not seem to me to forbid it, I granted this license and placed Mr. Lorenzen under the supervision of our brethren in New York, until the next meeting of Synod, when he expects to connect himself with our Ministerium. No. 3.

Since that time this license has been recalled and Mr. Lorenzen does not now stand in connection with us.

2. On the 15th of June, in accordance with the recommendation of the Ministerium, I sent an ad interim license to Mr. Gustavus Adolphus Neuffer of Birmingham, near Pittsburg, and placed him under the supervision of the brethren Vogelbach and Friederich, requesting them at the same time carefully to examine him and if they did not find him qualified to return me the license.

3. On the 18th of July, John Friederich Hornberger, schoolmaster from Freudenstadt, in Wurtemberg, resident for some years in the congregations of Rev. Jer. Schindel, was urgently recommended to me for ad interim licensure by the latter. I examined him as far as time and circumstances permitted and took the matter into consideration, but could not convince myself that the case was a constitutional one. I therefore did not license him, but advised him to carry on his studies.

4. On the 17th of August Rev. Jn. Grimm, of Camen, Germany, visited me, with a recommendation from Rev. Jer. Schindel in which I was requested to allow the former to serve several of his congregations, if they would elect him. I granted this permission, so far as it depended upon me; but, in-as-much as in this matter also there was too much haste in the giving of a recommendation, advantage was not taken of this permission and I now refer Mr. Grimm to the Synod. No. 9.

5. In the month of October I received a letter from Mr. John C. Conrad, Sen., at Pottsville, informing me that a second German Evangelical Lutheran congregation had been organized at that place, and desiring me to license Mr. Nantz whom they had called as their minister. This request I was forbidden by the Constitution to grant, but wrote to him that, if the congregation had been properly organized, the Synod would cheerfully receive it into our connection. In a subsequent answer to a letter from Mr. Conrad in regard to this matter I endeavored to explain it to him, and as he stated that Mr. Nantz was an ordained clergyman, I refered him to the Synod and directed his attention to his credentials. No. 21. 26.

6. In the month of March Rev. J. H. Mengert, of Bremen, and who had for ten years been missionary in the East Indies, &c., wrote to me to learn how he might become a member of our body. I gave him the necessary information. No. 43.

7. A letter from Mr. Christian Popp, of New Haven, Ct., who professes to be an ordained Lutheran minister from Bavaria, and announces his attention of making application for admission into our Ministerium, requests advice, &c. I gave him this advice. No. 46.

V. New Charges formed.

1. The congregation at Norristown, now served alone by Rev. McCron,—1851.

2. The Dauphin district, served by Rev. C. Stœver,—1850.

3. The Second German Evangelical Lutheran church at Pottsville,—1850.

4. The congregations of Mount Joy, Manheim, Maytown, &c., unsupplied,—1850.

5. The congregations in Clearfield county, unsupplied,—1850.

6. The Emigrant church in New York, served by Br. Brandt,—1851.

7. The congregations Spiess, Elsass, &c., near Reading, served by Br. Wagner,—1850.

8. The English congregation in Columbia, Millerstown, &c., served by Br. Menges,—1850.

I believe there have been some others formed, but I have not been notified of them.

VI. Churches built.

Under this head I have not much to report as the brethren did not take the trouble to inform me of the facts; some have done their duty in this respect, and I have added such cases as came under my knowledge.

1. St. James' church at Geiger's, Berks county, under Br. Focht,—Lutheran.

2. Two churches under Br. Erle,—one Lutheran, the other Union.

3. The Wyomissing church, near Reading, Berks county,—Union.

4. The Elsass church, near Reading, Berks county,—Union.

5. The church in Bethlehem, Northampton county,—Union.

6. The church under Br. Neuffer in Birmingham, near Pittsburg,—Lutheran.

7. St. Paul's church in Jersey City, New Jersey,—Lutheran.

8. The church in New Holland, under Br. Kohler,—Lutheran.

There have been a number of corner-stones laid, for church edifices, but, in-as-much as the churches have not yet been consecrated and in part for the reason that nothing was communicated to me concerning them, I cannot report the particulars.

VII. Dismissals.

In accordance with a resolution of the Ministerium, I transmitted certificates of honorable dismission from this Synod to Rev. Messrs. A. Biewend, at Fort Wayne, in Indiana, and F. Schmidt, at Boston, Massachusetts.

VIII. Synodical resolutions, to be executed by the President.

1. In accordance with the 15th resolution of Synod, it was made my duty to write to Br. Harpel in regard to the difficulties in Mount Bethel. I discharged this duty, in a fraternal manner, immediately after the adjournment of Synod. On the 7th of June I received a letter from him in which he declined appearing before the Synodical committee and assigned his reasons for this course. I answered his letter and advised him, as a friend, to alter his determination. As I afterwards learned, he did so, but through a mis-understanding he and the committee did not meet. No. 4.

2. The congregation at Birmingham, under Br. Neuffer, has not yet applied for admission to the Synod. I could not carry out, therefore, with reference to them the resolution No. XII, page 17.

3. On the 17th of June (according to resolution No. VI, page 12)

I transmitted the Synodical resolutions, concerning the death of our brethren Dr. W. G. Ernst and Dr. J. Miller, to their families.

4. I endeavored to carry out resolution X, page 38, in regard to Br. Feysel.

5. The resolution No. XI, p. 16, was carried out only in so far, that the officers of Synod allowed Dr. Demme as much as he was willing to receive—but which, in their opinion was not by any means "an adequate compensation for his services" in the preparation of the Hymn Book.—However they yielded to his wishes.

6. I regret that I was unable to enjoy the honor and the pleasure of attending the meeting of the New York Ministerium, as delegate from this body. I was necessarily prevented, but my alternate was in attendance.

7. As I have elsewhere remarked, I transmitted certificates of honorable dismission to the Brethren Biewend and Schmidt, p. 36.

IX. The European Legacies.

1. On the 29th of May, 1850, I wrote to Mr. Harper, administrator of Rev. Dr. Ernst, deceased, and requested him to send the monies and papers referring to these legacies, to me at Reading on my way home from the Synod; but he preferred that I should come to Lebanon for them. I answered, that he should deliver them and settle the accounts with Dr. Baker or Dr. Demme. But this also was not done. I went therefore in the month of September to Lebanon and received from Mr. C. Harper the sum of $610 79. As Dr. Demme was kind enough previously to examine the matter and Br. Krotel had also audited the accounts, (for which service the Synod is indebted to them both,) the matter was easier for me and I was more certain of its correctness. I gave a receipt for the above mentioned sum.

2. On the 20th of August Dr. Demme wrote to me that he had received $150 from Dr. Niemeyer as interest upon the Streit legacy, for our Synod. I answered his letter accordingly. No. 10.

3. On the 23d of November I received a letter from Rev. Dr. Niemeyer, Halle, inquiring how the interest of the legacies should hereafter be transmitted to us, (Dr. Demme having informed him that he was no longer President,) whether it should be sent to me, or to the President of the West Pennsylvania Synod, or whether it should be divided by him, or still sent to Dr. Demme, who would be willing hereafter to take charge of it if we so desired. President Jacobs, of the West Pennsylvania Synod, and I replied to him that we heartily acquiesced in the latter arrangement and that it would be much more convenient for the Synod if Dr. Demme would continue to discharge this friendly office as long as all parties were agreed. Dr. Demme has consented and the old arrangement continues, for which the Synod owes him hearty thanks,—and I hope my decision will give entire satisfaction. No. 30.

X. Miscellaneous Business.

1. *Complaint.* On the 17th of September I received a letter, which I will lay before the Ministerium for its consideration, that such action may be taken as is deemed necessary. I have done my part in the matter. See letter No. a. a.

2. *Emigrant church.* On the 7th of Nov. Br. Brandt requested permission to labor among the German emigrants in New York as Pastor until the next meeting of Synod. As the Synod some years ago desired to accomplish this object, and the plan was now approved of by a number of the brethren, and as I myself regarded the enterprise as calculated to operate beneficially for our church, I gave him the desired permission, with the co-operation of Br. Geissenhainer, but without obligating the Synod in regard to the matter. No. 34.

I now direct the attention of the Synod to this matter. Because of our neglect many of our brethren in the faith have wandered off into the Methodist church, which took advantage of our remissness, or have become victims of infidelity and wretchedness. This undertaking would bear fruit a hundred fold in time and eternity; let us lay hold of it in earnest, as we now have the means.

3. *Church-discipline.* On the 5th of February I received a letter from Mr. J. C. Conrad, Sen., in Pottsville in which, among other things, he requests of me a Church-discipline. I take the liberty of directing the attention of the Ministerium to the question whether it be not their duty to prepare a truly christian Evang. Luth. Church-discipline, adapted to the spirit of our church in this country. By this means uniformity would prevail in all our churches, religion would assume a new life among us, and this crying want in many of our churches would be supplied. Such a work, and the unaltered Augsburg Confession, together with Luther's Catechism, our Liturgy, Prayers for families, &c., and a brief history of the customs, &c., of the church—a book, containing these works all bound together, and placed in the hands of our people, in both languages, would, in my opinion, accomplish incalculable good in our congregations, confirm their attachment to the church and enlarge their acquaintance with it. If we neglect to do this, it will be done by others, but perhaps in a way not so satisfactory to us.

4. *The Minutes.* I desire also to invite the attention of the Synod to our Minutes. They are printed differently almost every year, so that they cannot conveniently be bound together. Would it not be desirable, to resolve, that they shall always be of uniform size, (medium octavo, like the Minutes of 1847,) and if this be neglected, that the Treasurer be instructed not to pay the printer—and the expense be borne by him through whose neglect it occurs?

5. *Sunday-school Hymn Book.* Frequent application has been made for a German Sunday-school Hymn Book; but we have none, and if we had, it would be difficult to introduce it in our Union congregations. Would it not be of service to our church, and also to the German Reformed, (whose book is exceedingly imperfect,) if these two sister churches would publish an Union Hymn Book, which should be so prepared that it could be used in either church alone?

6. *The Moravians.* Whilst I resided in Easton, I had frequent opportunity of observing the kind treatment extended by the Moravians at Bethlehem, &c., towards our church, and of hearing the desire expressed, that the bonds of love might be more closely drawn between us. I have often been surprised, that in our day, no more intimate relations should exist between brethren who subscribe the

same confession of faith. Will not the Ministerium take into consideration the question whether the present would not be a favorable time for establishing such relations, as we stand so near to those brethren and now have a church in Bethlehem which they aid in supporting?

7. *Clerical List.* I invite the attention of the Synod to the inaccuracies of the clerical list and suggest that it be corrected. There are the names of some persons upon it who no longer belong to the Synod.

In testimony of the correctness of this official report, I subscribe my name. And may the spirit of harmony and peace be with us! May the Holy Spirit fill us with christian zeal for the cause of our Redeemer! And may we separate with the consciousness that the Master can say to us: "they have done all that they were able to do." The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

J. W. RICHARDS.

The President now announced the election of officers for the ensuing year and appointed as tellers Rev. H. S. Miller, Rev. C. F. Welden and Mr. J. Sæger, who attended to their duty and announced the following brethren as unanimously elected, viz:

Rev. J. W. Richards, of Reading, *President.*
" W. J. Eyer, of Catawissa, *Secretary.*
" J. C. Baker, D. D., of Lancaster, *Treasurer.*

The President appointed Rev. A. T. Geissenhainer as Assistant-Secretary.

I. *Resolved,* That the delegates from the United Lutheran church of New York, viz: Messrs. John Haas and Aide Hopke, and a delegate from the Second Lutheran church in Pottsville, Mr. John Braun, be received as advisory members.

The Licentiates now handed in their Journals and Sermons which were distributed among the brethren for examination.

The papers, documents, &c., handed in were numbered and given to the following committees:

1. *Committees upon various papers laid before Synod.*

The First Committee consists of Rev. Messrs. G. A. Reichert, C. W. Schæffer, and S. K. Brobst, and the Delegates Messrs. John Ehler and W. Dock.

The Second Committee consists of Rev. Messrs. D. Ulrich, G. F. J. Jæger, and C. P. Miller, and the Delegates Messrs. M. Koch and J. Deininger.

The Third Committee consists of Rev. Messrs. C. Miller, H. G. Stecher, and J. Schindel, and the Delegates Messrs. J. Hess and Jacob Sæger.

The Fourth Committee consists of Rev. Messrs. E. Peixoto, H. S. Miller, and C. A. Hay, and the Delegates Messrs. S. Baldy and F. Wampole.

The Fifth Committee consists of Rev. Messrs. C. F. Welden, N. Jæger, and F. A. M. Keller, and the Delegates Messrs. A. Schenfelder and J. Hunsberger.

The Sixth Committee consists of Rev. Messrs. G. A. Wenzel, G. W. Minnig, and E. A. Bauer, and the Delegates Messrs. G. Weidler and J. Hœrner.

2. *Committees upon the Minutes of different Synods.*

1. Synods of New York and Maryland: Rev. E. Breidenbaugh.
2. English Lutheran Synod of Ohio and West Pennsylvania Synod: Rev. G. F. Miller.
3. Synod of German Reformed church and General Synod of the Lutheran church: Rev. L. G. Eggers.
4. Synod of Pennsylvania: Rev. J. Vogelbach.

3. *Committees were also appointed:*

1. To examine the President's account: Rev. Messrs. G. A. Reichert and C. F. Welden.
2. To examine the Treasurer's account: Rev. Messrs. Joshua Jæger and W. B. Kæmmer, and the Delegate Dr. H. H. Muhlenberg.

The President announced that if any applicants for admission into our Synod were present, they should hand in their names to the Chairman of the Examining Committee.

II. *Resolved,* That we now adjourn, for the purpose of holding a Ministerial session.

SECOND SESSION.

Monday, 3 o'clock, P. M.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Baker.

Rev. Dr. Baugher, President of Pennsylvania College, was permitted to some remarks in reference to a German Professorship in that institution. Whereupon it was

III. *Resolved,* That the proposition of the Trustees of Pennsylvania College be submitted to a committee. The following brethren compose that committee: Rev. Dr. Baker, Rev. Dr. Demme, Rev. Charles A. Hay, Rev. C. F. Welden, Rev. Dr. C. F. Schæffer, and Delegates Dr. H. H. Muhlenberg and John Ehler.

Report of this Committee.

The committee, to which was referred a proposition of the Trustees of Pennsylvania College in regard to the endowment of a professorship of German Language and Literature in that institution, the appointment to which should be secured to this Synod, has the honor to report:

That, in-as-much as the conditions, through uncertainty in regard to which our Synod last year postponed the consideration of a similar proposition from the Trustees of Franklin College, will without doubt be fulfilled; in-as-much as we are convinced of the necessity of the endowment of such a professorship; and in-as-much as the President of Pennsylvania College assures us that this professorship shall be and remain purely German; therefore we respectfully propose the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Synod accept the proposition of the Trustees of Pennsylvania College.

Further; as the desire of the Directors of the Theological Seminary at Gettysburg was made known to the Synod by Rev. Dr. Krauth, that, in case such a professorship in the college were endowed, the Professor should be entitled and instructed to impart theological instruction in the Seminary in the German language; and as, in the opinion of this Synod, such instruction has been neglected in that institution; therefore

Resolved, That we request the Directors of the Seminary to acknowledge the German Professor as a member of the Seminary Faculty and grant him the right of imparting theological instruction in the German language in that institution.

This report, together with the appended resolutions, was unanimously adopted by the Synod.

IV. *Resolved,* That a beginning be immediately made to carry out these resolutions.

V. *Resolved,* That a committee which has just reported, be appointed for the purpose of carrying these resolutions into execution. This committee consists of Dr. J. C. Baker, Dr. C. F. Schæffer, Rev. Charles A. Hay, Rev. C. F. Welden, and the Delegates Dr. H. H. Muhlenberg and John Ehler.

The delegate from the Second Lutheran church in Pottsville received permission to lay before Synod the affairs of that congregation. As the sixth committee was prepared to make a report in reference to that congregation, they were permitted to present the following:

No. 16 is a letter, subscribed by the church council of the German Lutheran congregation, organized at Pottsville last year, in which they inform the Synod that they have dismissed their minister, Dr. Nantz, on account of immoral conduct, and request this reverend body to furnish them with a minister whose doctrine and life accord with the scriptures, who will adhere with fidelity to the unaltered Augsburg Confession and submit himself to the Synod of the German Evangelical Lutheran church.

This report was accepted; whereupon it was

VI. *Resolved,* That the Synod direct the attention of the brethren to that charge; and that, without attaching blame to this congregation, the Synod improve this opportunity of expressing its dis-approbation of the calling of such ministers as do not belong to some Synod of our congregations, without the permission of the President.

Report of the First Committee.

No. 1. The Annual Report of the President.

a) The report contains a notice of the decease of the Rev. brethren G. Minnig and P. L. Oberfeldt. The committee suggest that the removal of these two brethren, one in the fulness of his years, the other in the prime of life, should be regarded as reminding us of the fact, that in the Lord's hands our lives are and his are all our ways, and that it becomes us so to live and act in the ministry of reconciliation, that whenever it may please the Great Shepherd to call us hence, we may be found faithful at our post.

The Synod condoles with the relatives of the deceased and instructs the Secretary to convey to them our expression of our sympathy in their bereavement.

b) (No. 16 Letter.) Informs us of the erection of a new pastoral district in Dauphin county, concerning which Brother Vogelbach expresses his regret in No. 18. The committee propose that Br. Vogelbach be allowed to make a statement to Synod. After the matter had been discussed at some length it was unanimously

VII. *Resolved*, That the Special Conference of Dauphin county hold a meeting at their earliest convenience, examine the condition of affairs in that congregation and decide the matter according to their judgment.

c) The committee suggest that the Executive Committee of Missions be requested to inform Synod whether the Rev. Mr. Brandt has complied with his obligations as Missionary during the past year. The Chairman gave a satisfactory reply; viz: that Mr. Brandt had done his duty.

d) The President expresses his sense of the necessity and importance of a Church Manual and the committee coinciding with the President, recommend the Synod to take action upon the subject. Hereupon it was

VIII. *Resolved*, That the whole matter be postponed until the Minutes of the Synod of West Pennsylvania are reported upon.

e) The committee are of opinion that the Medium 8vo. size is a proper one to be uniformly observed in the publication of our Minutes and that Synod should instruct our Secretaries accordingly.

f) In regard to the preparation of a German Sunday school Hymn-Book, the committee can propose no course of action to Synod.

In-as-much, however, as the Synod was convinced of the necessity and importance of such a useful book for our rising generation, the following resolution was cordially and unanimously adopted,

IX. *Resolved*, That the Synod appoint a committee to confer with the Synod of the German Reformed church at its next meeting in reference to the publication of a Union Sunday school Hymn Book; and if that Synod will not co-operate with us in this undertaking, the committee is authorized to publish such a book for the Lutheran church alone. This committee consists of the Pres. Rev. J. W. Richards, Dr. J. C. Baker, Senior W. Bætis and Rev. Brobst.

g) The President speaks of the propriety of entering into more fraternal relations with the Moravian brethren—it remains for the Synod to express its views upon the subject. Therefore it was

X. *Resolved*, That the President make inquiry, during the year, in what manner more intimate relations can be established between us and our Moravian brethren.

h) As the President reports certain inaccuracies in the Clerical list, the committee move that a committee be appointed to co-operate with the Secretary in correcting it. The President appointed Rev. A. T. Geissenhainer for that purpose.

i) Several letters concerning F. P. Feysel were received. The committee not being able to arrive at a positive judgement in the case, move that the President be instructed to take such action as the facts and our Constitution may justify.

G. A. Reichert.
S. K. Brobst.
C. W. Schæffer.
William Dock.
John Ehler.

XI. *Resolved,* That the committee on the difficulties at Mount-Bethel and with Rev. Harpel have permission to report.

Report of the Committee.

MOUNT BETHEL, June 19, 1850.

Your committee, appointed to investigate the matter concerning Rev. Mark Harpel, after mature deliberation, have resolved

1. Earnestly to rebuke Br. Mark Harpel, *a*) for neglect of duty in deserting that congregation, *b*) for recommending his adulterous brother as a man of good character, and *c*) for speaking very disrespectfully of our Rev. Synod.

2. Heartily to advise him to conduct himself as a christian in future, in default of which the Synod will be compelled to adopt more stringent measures.

3. Moreover, to request the Synod, at its next annual meeting, to appoint a special standing committee, to which vacant charges can apply for advice and recommendations in procuring a good, christian minister.

E. PEIXOTO.
C. MILLER.
JACOB ERDMAN.
HORATIO TREXLER.

This report was accepted, and it was

XII. *Resolved,* That the committee has discharged its duty to the satisfaction of the Synod.

Towards the close of the first session of the Synod, Rev. M. Harpel arose and stated in a very warm and excited tone, in a manner highly offensive to the Synod, that this was probably the last time that he would appear in our midst, in-as-much as members of this Synod had treated him so badly that he could no longer remain in our connection. He wished us God's blessing and desired an honorable dismission. Before the President had time to ask him for a further explanation of his charge, he left the Synod. At the opening of the second session he appeared again in our midst and declared solemnly, before the whole Synod, that he regretted the warmth with which he had expressed himself in the morning, that he still regarded himself as a member of this body, and that he would submit to the decision of the Synod in this matter and conduct himself accordingly. He received permission, by a special resolution, to absent himself for one day in order to attend two funerals, with the understanding that he would appear at the specified time and defend himself against the charges that had been brought against him. Although he did appear again in the Synod, he soon absented himself on the ground of sickness in his family, and requested, through Rev. S. K. Brobst, to be dismissed. Whereupon the Synod took the following action:

Whereas Rev. M. Harpel declared that he would submit in this matter to the decision of the Synod, but now wishes to be dismissed and thus violates his solemn obligation; therefore

XIII. *Resolved,* That Mark Harpel's name be striken from our list.

XIV. *Resolved,* That we now adjourn.

Prayer by Rev. Charles A. Hay.—This evening Rev. J. F. Wilken preached, from Rom. 5: 20, 21.

THIRD SESSION.

Tuesday, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. C. F. Welden.

Rev. F. Ruthrauff, a delegate from the Synod of East Pennsylvania, received permission to lay before Synod a proposition from that body. Whereupon it was

XV. *Resolved,* That a committee be appointed to report upon it this afternoon. The committee consists of Rev. C. W. Schæffer, G. A. Reichert and C. A. Hay.

Report of this Committee.

The committee to whom were referred certain resolutions of the Synod of East Pennsylvania relating to this body, respectfully report,

That the aforesaid resolutions convey information of. the desire of said Synod to enter into friendly relations with the Synod of Pennsylvania, and that the sincerity of those brethren appears to be proven by the removal of certain obstructions the continued existence of which would have prevented a friendly intercommunication, and the removal of which rested with the Synod of East Pennsylvania.

The committee therefore move the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. That this Synod cordially responds to the sentiments on the subject of christian fellowship expressed by the brethren of the East-Pennsylvania Synod.

2. That we fraternally recognize them as a Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran church and cordially receive their representation into our midst.

3. That Synod from this time forth appoint a delegate to represent this body in the Synod of East Pennsylvania upon the same terms as we are represented in the Sister Synods of our church generally.

C. W. Schæffer.
G. A. Reichert.
Charles A. Hay.

This report, with the appended resolutions, was unanimously adopted.

XVI. *Resolved,* That Mr. H. Lehman, delegate from the congregation at Norristown, be received as an advisory member.

Report of the Examining Committee.

The Examining Committee respectfully reports: That there have been nine applications for admission into the Ministerium; viz:

1. Christian Anton Friedrich Popp, German Pastor at New Haven, Connecticut.

2. John Heinrich Mengert, Pastor of the German Evangelical congregation, Williamsburg, N. Y.

3. John Conrad Schwankowsky, Pastor of the German Evangelical Lutheran congregation, Cumberland, Md.

4. John Grimm, from Rhenish Prussia.

5. John Friedrich Wilken, Pastor of the German Evang. Lutheran church in Wartburg, Morgan county, East Tennessee.

These are all clergymen ordained in Europe.

Also

6. John F. Hornberger, of South-Whitehall.

7. Daniel Sell, of Rossville, York county, Pa.
8. George Washington Scheide, of Philadelphia.
9. Gustavus Hinterleitner, of Richlandtown, Bucks county, Pa.

As all of these applicants bear excellent testimonials, the committee proposes

1. That the Rev. Messrs. Popp, Mengert, Schwankowsky and Wilken be immediately admitted into the Ministerium.

2. That the others, viz: Messrs. Hornberger, Sell, Scheide and Hinterleitner be examined.

In reference to Rev. J. Grimm, the committee could not agree to admit him, but desire to become better acquainted with him. The committee also received applications for admission from two congregations, viz: from Cumberland, Md., and from the Jerusalem church in Upper Towamensing, Carbon county, Pa.

In the name of the committee,

E. Peixoto.

The report was accepted; and it was

XVII. *Resolved*, That the said congregations be received into our Synod provided they adopt our rules and regulations.

XVIII. *Resolved*, That the proposition of the committee referring to Messrs. Popp, Mengert, Schwankowsky and Wilken be referred to the Ministerium.

Rev. Mr. Esbjorn received permission to make a statement before Synod in regard to the Swedish Lutheran church. It was thereupon

XIX. *Resolved*, That the subject of the Swedish Lutheran church in the West be the first to claim the attention of the Missionary Society.

XX. *Resolved*, That a collection be taken up in the Synod for the purpose of aiding in the erection of Swedish Lutheran churches in Illinois.

XXI. *Resolved*, That Rev. Mr. Esbjorn be permitted in co-operation with the pastors and church councils to take up collections in our bounds for the same purpose.

Report of the Second Committee.

The Second Committee would respectfully report:

No. 2. Contains a letter from the congregation at Manayunk to the President of Synod in which they express their satisfaction with their Pastor, Rev. M. Walz; regret that their congregation, consisting mostly of poor factory-hands, is not able to give their Pastor more than $150; they desire also, that he may preach for them every two weeks and live in their vicinity so as to be able conveniently to serve them at funerals, &c. They at the same time express their gratitude for the aid already afforded them by the Synod and request that their necessities may not be forgotten in future.

XXII. *Resolved*, That the consideration of this subject be referred to the Missionary meeting.

No. 3. An urgent appeal to the Synod by 16 members of the St. John's church in Clearfield and Jefferson counties, in which they state, that they have been served 16 years by a Reformed minister and now desire a Lutheran minister out of our midst. In case we cannot supply them, they request a copy of our Minutes for this year.

They report, also, that a minister who could preach in both languages could organize four or five congregations in those counties and be well supported.

XXIII. *Resolved*, That this application be laid on the table until the report in reference to the Mount Bethel congregation has been received.

No. 4. Contains a letter from the members of the German congregation in Columbia, in which they protest against the introduction of German preaching in the English church of that place, in-as-much as the church was built for the express purpose of English preaching; and they request the Synod to exert its influence to prevent any attempt of that kind, as they already have a German church there. The committee takes the liberty of expressing the opinion that this request is right and proper, in order to preserve peace and harmony.

D. Ulrich.
G. F. J. Jæger.
C. P. Miller.
Michael Koch.
J. M. Deininger.

The Pastor of the English church declared, before Synod, in reference to the matter last referred to, that his congregation never desired nor do they now intend to have German preaching in their church. The advice and influence of the Synod are therefore not needed in the matter.

The delegates from the Dry-land congregation were allowed to present their cause.

XXIV. *Resolved*, That this matter be referred to a committee. The committee consists of Rev. Messrs. W. G. Minnig, C. A. Bauer, W. B. Kæmmer, and the Delegates H. Hamman and J. Miller.

Report of this Committee.

The committee appointed to confer with the delegates sent to the Synod by the vacant congregation at Dry-land, would respectfully report:

From the statements of these delegates it appears, that there is a fine prospect of the union of three other congregations with theirs and the formation of a pleasant field of labor for a minister of our church. The committee therefore agree with the brethren from Dry-land, that the formation of that district should not be prevented by neighboring clergymen, by taking charge of one or the other of these congregations, but that a minister of our Synod who has not been entangled in difficulties of the Dry-land congregation should be recommended to go there.

W. G. Minnig.
W. B. Kæmmer.
C. A. Bauer.
H. Hamman.
J. Miller.

This report was unanimously adopted and the wish expressed by Synod that the neighboring brethren should aid in the establishment of a pastoral charge there.

Report of the Third Committee.

The Third Committee would respectfully report:

No. 5. Contains a letter from Rev. L. Gerhardt, in which he pleads distance as his excuse for absence. He requests an honorable dismission: thanks the Synod for the love and friendship manifested towards him and wishes them the divine blessing.

XXV. *Resolved,* That the President transmit to him a certificate of honorable dismission.

No. 6. Br. Gross' excuse for absence. He sends his pastoral report and closes with a benediction. Br. Gross was excused.

No. 7. A letter from Rev. Trumbauer, assigning bodily infirmity as the ground of his absence. He appends his pastoral report. Father Trumbauer was excused.

C. Miller.
H. G. Stecher.
J. Schindel.
J. Hess.
J. Sæger.

Report of the Fourth Committee.

No. 8. A letter from the church council of the United German Lutheran church in the city of New York in which they state, that they have appointed Messrs. J. Haas and Aide Hopke as a committee to attend the Synod and lay before it the condition of their congregation and request the advice of this body.

Mr. Haas was heard before the Synod. He stated, that several years ago their congregation, for certain reasons, had cut itself loose from all ecclesiastical connections; but now they felt the need of a closer union with their brethren in the faith, in general, in order to co-operate with them in the propagation of Christianity and especially of the Lutheran church. For this reason they send this committee to this Synod and a similar one to the Synod of New York, in order to be able, if possible, to decide correctly with which Synod to connect themselves. Whereupon it was unanimously

XXVI. *Resolved,* That the Synod is highly gratified with the appearance of a committee from the "United German Lutheran Congregation in New York" in our midst, and that to their wish to connect themselves speedily with a Synod, we append our cordial wishes for the prosperity of that congregation.

No. 9. A letter from the congregations of Mount Joy, Manheim and Maytown in which they state that they are without a Pastor and deputize Mr. Jacob Sauder to present their application to this Synod.

Mr. J. Sauder was heard before Synod and it was

XXVII. *Resolved,* That any member of Synod may visit those congregations.

No. 10. The Minutes of the Second Conference, held at Upper-Saucon, Oct. 15, and 16, 1850. These brethren, according to these minutes, manifest a commendable zeal in the cause of Christ.

The Synod expressed its gratification with the evidence of their activity.

No. 11. A communication from Cand. Brandt, in which he proposes a plan for the establishment of a German Lutheran Emigrant church in New York. The committee does not undertake to recommend any action in reference to this matter.

The consideration of this subject was referred to the Missionary meeting.

H. S. Miller.
C. A. Hay.
E. Peixoto.
S. Baldy.
J. Wampole.

Report of a Special Committee.

Three documents, handed to me, contain serious charges against Cand. Brandt, signed by Rev. Brohm, Mr. C. T. Degrethen, Agent of the German Society, and Mr. C. G. Eckel, public notary in New York.

Signed by H. G. Stecher.

This report was handed to a committee, consisting of Rev. Dr. Strobel, H. G. Stecher and H. Garlich. This committee reported as follows:

The committee to whom were referred the papers in reference to Rev. Brandt, report; that the charges preferred against him originate in matters having no direct connection with his mission, but in some business transactions undertaken for emigrants, which seem to us to involve no criminality. But your committee can readily believe, that a perseverance in his present course would involve him and the mission in inextricable difficulties. We therefore recommend the following resolutions:

1. That Rev. Brandt be advised to abstain from all connection with the temporal affairs of the emigrants in New York.

2. That the oversight of said mission be committed to Rev. Messrs. Geissenhainer and Stohlman and that Mr. Brandt be directed to advise with them as to all his future operations.

W. D. Strobel.
H. G. Stecher.
H. Garlich.

XXVIII. *Resolved,* That this report be adopted and that Cand. Brandt be requested faithfully to observe its requisitions.

XXIX. *Resolved,* That Mr. Bauer's delegate have permission to withdraw.

XXX. *Resolved,* That we adjourn until 2 o'clock P. M.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Strobel.

FOURTH SESSION.

Tuesday, 2 o'clock, P. M.

Opened with prayer by Rev. Esbjorn.

Report of the Sixth Committee.

The Sixth Committee would respectfully report:

No. 15. A letter from Mr. L. A. Wollenweber in regard to our new Hymn Book. The committee deem it necessary to lay the whole letter before Synod. Whereupon it was

XXXI. *Resolved,* That Rev. Mr. Vogelbach be requested to examine and report upon this letter.

No. 18. A letter of recommendation, signed by the church council of the German Evangelical Lutheran congregation at Wartburg, Morgan county, East Tenn., in which they authorize their Pastor, Rev. J. T. Wilken, to collect funds for the erection of a church and for this purpose bespeak for him a cordial reception by Lutheran churches generally. It was

XXXII. *Resolved,* That we commend this brother and his congregations to the brethren of our Synod and their congregations, as also to our Missionary Society.

G. A. Wenzel.
W. G. Minnig.
C. A. Bauer.
J. Hœrner.
G. Weidler.

Report of the Fifth Committee.

The Fifth Committee respectfully reports as follows:

No. 11. Is a letter from Rev. C. F. Stœver, of Dauphin, Pa., in which he begs to be excused for absence on the ground of sickness in his family. The committee moves, that he be excused.

No. 12. Is a letter from Rev. Schultze of Williamsport, addressed to the President. He regrets that, in consequence of the infirmities of age and his limited means, he cannot attend the present meeting of Synod. Probably for the purpose of directing the attention of Synod to the destitute condition of the Lutheran churches in Clearfield and Jefferson counties, he mentions the fact, that he had accepted a call from those congregations, but was compelled to withdraw this acceptance in consequence of subsequent illness. As he could not furnish them with a supply, they are commended to the care of the Synod.

We propose, that Rev. Schultze be excused.

No. 13. Is a letter from the Zion's church at Wilmington, Del., thanking the Synod for the aid afforded them last year and requesting further assistance, in-as-much as the congregation is still in needy circumstances.

We propose, that this application be referred to the Missionary Executive Committee.

No. 14. Is a letter from Rev. Mr. Stein, of Jonestown. As his health has greatly suffered from excessive pastoral labor and the

journey to Synod would therefore be too oppressive for him, he begs the Synod to excuse him.

We commend also the request of this dear brother to the notice of Synod and move that Rev. Stein be excused.

Respectfully presented,

C. F. Welden.
F. A. M. Keller.
N. Jæger.
J. Hunsberger.
A. Schenfelder.

This report, with the appended propositions, was adopted by the Synod.

The committee, appointed to examine the accounts of the President, reported, orally, that they had attended to their duty and found all correct.

Report on the Treasurer's Accounts.

The committee, to whom were referred the accounts of the Treasurer of the Synodical, Missionary and Seminary Fund, would respectfully report:

I. Synodical Treasury.

Received, inclusive of balance of last year,....	$510 01	
Expended,.....	100 37	
Balance in Treasurer's hands,.....		$409 64

II. Missionary Treasury.

Received, inclusive of balance of former year,	$2,435 10	
Expended,.....	1,347 33	
Balance in Treasurer's hands,...		1,087 77

III. Seminary Treasury.

There is on hand, in this treasury,.....	212 78
Total amount in Treasurer's hands,.....	$1,710 19

Signed,

Joshua Jæger.
W. B. Kæmmer.
H. H. Muhlenberg.

Report of the Seventh Committee.

Your Committee would respectfully report:

No. 19. Is a letter from Father Hemping in which he requests to be excused on account of age and indisposition. He encloses $5, viz: $3 for the Bible Society in Philadelphia, $1 for the Missionary Society, and $1 for Br. Brobst, for the "Jugendfreund." Father Hemping desires the Synod to send him several copies of the Minutes and invokes the divine blessing upon us. He reports six burials and six baptisms. He requests Br. Brobst to send the "Jugendfreund" hereafter to the Millersburg post-office. Father Hemping was excused.

No. 20. Is a letter from Br. Mealy, in which he states, that in-as-much as the state of his health prevents his discharging the duties of the ministerial office, as is well known to Synod, he has purchased

an interest in a store in Canton, Stark co., Ohio, (where he now resides,) in order to maintain his family. He moreover desires to remain in connection with the Synod, if this is not in violation of the Synodical Constitution, as he expresses the ardent wish to make himself useful by preaching occasionally when opportunity offers. But he will cheerfully submit to the decision of Synod. He invokes the divine blessing upon our body. He encloses $5, subject to the disposal of Synod.

Respectfully submitted, A. Fuchs.

In reference to Br. Mealy, it was

XXXIII. *Resolved*, That, although according to our Constitution no member who commences another business can continue to enjoy the rights of membership, yet the Synod believes that this case constitutes an exception and that therefore his name should remain upon the list and that he should be permitted, as often as circumstances admit of it, to act as preacher of the gospel. Br. Mealy was also excused for absence.

Rev. Dr. Krauth, Professor in the Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, handed in a document which was referred to the standing committee on the Seminary; who reported as follows:—That Dr. Krauth, in this communication, informs us, that the Directors of the Seminary appointed a committee to inform our Synod of the election of the second Professor, immediately after it occured, and to assign the reasons why they felt themselves necessitated to decline acceding to the proposition of the Synod, viz: to send some member of this body in connection with one of the Directors of the Seminary to Europe, for the purpose of finding out and nominating a suitable person for that post—which for unknown causes did not occur. But the resolutions of the Board of Directors strongly express the hope and the desire that the friendly feelings now existing between us may not thereby be disturbed but that we may continue to co-operate with each other.

Respectfully submitted, J. C. Baker.
G. A. Reichert.
J. W. Richards.
C. Miller.

This report was adopted and the committee discharged.

Report of the Eighth Committee.

The letter handed to this committee is a letter from Br. Medtart, in which he states that the condition of his family prevents him from attending Synod and desires to be excused. He transmits his parochial report, together with $4 for the Synodical and $8 for the Missionary treasury.

Respectfully submitted, N. Jæger.

Br. Medtart was excused.

The necessity of the circulation of the scriptures among our people was discussed at some length and the question proposed how we could most successfully co-operate with the Bible Society of Pennsylvania in this great and good cause. After the matter had been for some time under discussion and an ardent love for the word of God

and a glowing zeal for its general distribution among our membership had been manifested, it was finally unanimously

XXXIV. *Resolved,* That, in the opinion of this Synod, the cause of the Bible Society merits the immediate and earnest attention of the members of this Synod and that we hereby commend it to their regard.

XXXV. *Resolved,* That, in our opinion, we can accomplish most for this cause by the establishment of auxiliary societies in the respective townships and counties.

XXXVI. *Resolved,* That we approve of the employment of an agent to act in concert with our ministers in this work.

The committee, appointed to collect for the Swedish churches in the West, reported that they had received from the members of Synod $151 50, which sum was then handed over to Rev. Esbjorn by the President and gratefully acknowledged by him. He invoked the blessing of God upon the Synod and all Lutheran churches in the East.

XXXVII. *Resolved,* That we again recommend to the many friends of the "Lutheran Standard," published by our Sister Synod of Ohio, that they exert themselves to increase its circulation, in order that they may aid in securing its weekly publication.

XXXVIII. *Resolved,* That we now adjourn to meet at 8 o'clock to-morrow.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Schæffer.

FIFTH SESSION.

Wednesday, 8 *o'clock, A. M.*

Prayer by Rev. G. A. Reichert.

XXXIX. *Resolved,* That the delegate of the congregation of Manayunk, Mr. Otto Franklin, be received as an advisory member.

A letter, signed by members of the Upper Mount Bethel congregation was read by the President in which they request to be connected with the Synod.

XL. *Resolved,* That we cannot constitutionally receive the Union church of Upper Mount Bethel, and that we advise them again to unite with the parent congregation, which we then will receive.

The committee, who were instructed to propose a plan for the carrying out of the resolution of Synod in regard to the endowment of a German professorship in Pennsylvania College, proposed the following, viz:

That two or more agents be appointed who shall at once visit our congregations, lay the matter before them and collect funds.

This report was adopted and it was

XLI. *Resolved,* That the same committee be authorized to appoint the agents and superintend their operations.

J. C. Baker.
C. F. Schæffer.
C. F. Welden.
C. A. Hay.
J. Ehler.
H. H. Muhlenberg.

Report of the Committee on the Hymn Book.

The document handed to the committee is a letter from Mr. L. A. Wollenweber, printer of our Hymn Book, in which he desires to lay the following statements before Synod.

1. That the new Hymn Book has met with a ready sale in the churches of Pennsylvania and in many congregations in other states. In the western states, its introduction in many places has been much impeded by the circulation of another Hymn Book, which has apparently been published for the very purpose of supplanting ours; yet he cannot but gratefully acknowledge, that the members of the Synod of Ohio have declared themselves decidedly favorable to the circulation of the Hymn Book.

2. In the state of Ohio and other western states the publisher of the Union Hymn Book with an Appendix, has reduced the price of it to 31 cents; and false reports are circulated, among others, that the Synod intends to alter our Hymn Book again. That he is therefore compelled to dispose of the Lutheran Hymn Book in the West for the same price, as long as this opposition continues. In-as-much as this can only be done at his loss, he desires the Synod to take the matter into consideration and to allow him for two years a deduction from the stipulated percentage. He agrees to pay the pledged percentage for the eastern states, but leaves it for the Synod to decide what deduction they will make upon that for the western states.

3. He has also, at considerable expense, greatly improved the appearance of the book, as the accompanying specimen will show. In a few weeks he expects to publish the second edition of the large size and upon better paper than formerly.

Respectfully submitted, J. Vogelbach.

The report was accepted, and it was

XLII. *Resolved,* That the Synod gratefully acknowledges the co-operation of the Synod of Ohio in the circulation of the Hymn Book.

XLIII. *Resolved,* That the Synod has no intention of altering the Hymn Book and that any reports to that effect that may be circulated are unfounded.

XLIV. *Resolved,* That Mr. Wollenweber's request in regard to a deduction of percentage for two years be complied with.

XLV. *Resolved,* That the committee, which was appointed last year to prepare a new edition of the Liturgy for the Evangelical Lutheran churches of Pennsylvania, New York and Ohio, be continued with instructions to co-operate with a similar committee of the General Synod and, if possible, report at the next meeting of Synod. Committee: Dr. Demme, G. A. Reichert, Dr. Baker, C. W. Schæffer and the President.

XLVI. *Resolved,* That Rev. F. W. Geissenhainer be excused for absence.

XLVII. *Resolved,* That the following brethren be excused, viz: Rev. J. C. Barnitz, G. Schultze and J. J. Benninger. Also Br. German who is lying ill and cannot participate in our deliberations. The Synod expressed its desire that he might speedily recover; but should it please the Lord to remove him, we pray that he will support him

by his grace as he exchanges time for eternity and establish him in the true faith more and more abundantly unto the end.

The disposel of the Hymn Book fund was postponed until next year.

XLVIII. *Resolved,* That a committee of five be appointed to devise a system of rules and regulations for the management of a fund for the relief of superannuated pastors and of the widows and orphan children of pastors, and to report next year.

XLIX. *Resolved,* That this committee be instructed to inquire into the propriety of collecting an annual contribution to such fund from the pastors of this body. Committee: Dr. Demme, G. A. Reichert, C. W. Schæffer, J. Deininger and J. Hess.

A letter was laid before Synod, from which it appears that a certain Earnest Fleischer of Allentown contemplates the publication of a note-book of sacred music, and desires the advice of Synod in the matter. No action was had upon it.

L. *Resolved,* That, in accordance with the suggestion of the President in his report and in response to the proposition of the West Pennsylvania Synod, a committee of three be appointed to confer with a similar committee in regard to the publication of a Church Manual. Committee: Rev. Dr. Schæffer, Rev. C. A. Hay and Rev. J. W. Richards.

LI. *Resolved,* That the following brethren have permission to withdraw: Rev. D. Ulrich, G. A. Reichert, H. Garlich, Dr. C. F. Schæffer, J. Vogelbach, J. H. Mengert, F. G. Zeumer, T. T. Jæger and C. A. F. Popp.

LII. *Resolved,* That we now adjourn.

Prayer by Rev. C. Miller.

This evening Rev. E. Peixoto preached from Acts 2, 42: "And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers."

SIXTH SESSION.

Thursday, 9 *o'clock, A. M.*

Prayer by Rev. E. A. Bauer.

LIII. *Resolved,* That it is disorderly for a member of this Synod to leave without permission, and that hereafter the Secretary shall call the roll at the close of the Synod and note such as have thus absented themselves, that they may be called to account at the next meeting of Synod.

LIV. *Resolved,* That the fourth and fifth Conference Districts, embracing Lancaster, Dauphin and Lebanon counties, be combined into one. The decision of this question, involving an alteration of the Constitution, was deferred until next year.

The committee, appointed by the Synod to examine the different editions of our Catechism and make report to Synod, propose the following resolution:

That we recommend for general use the edition that has hitherto been used in our oldest congregations, viz: in Philadelphia, Falconer

Swamp, Trappe, Old-Goschenhoppen, &c., provided that a correct translation of the passage, Matth. 28, in the fourth article, be appended in a note, the quotations examined and corrected, the penitential psalms omitted and the unaltered Augsburg Confession annexed.

Respectfully submitted, J. W. Richards.
E. Peixoto.
S. K. Brobst.

The report was accepted.

LV. *Resolved,* That this committee be continued, and instructed to procure a copy-right and have the work carefully translated into English and printed in both languages.

LVI. *Resolved,* That Dr. C. F. Schæffer be added to that committee and that the translation be laid before the next Synod in manuscript.

Whereas Luther's smaller Catechism is used in our congregational schools and catechetical classes and it is desirable that the explanations should not only be intelligible but permanent, which often cannot be the case as they are made only orally and thus nothing permanent is placed in the hands of the old and young; therefore

LVII. *Resolved,* That a committee be appointed to prepare a short but adequate explanation of the Five Principle Parts of the Lutheran Catechism, in questions and answers, with proof-passages annexed, and to have the same printed; provided, that this work be of such a character as not to supplant the catechism now in use.

LVIII. *Resolved,* That Rev. W. J. Mann, Dr. C. R. Demme and G. A. Reichert be this committee.

Rev. Mr. Crist, Agent of the Parent Education Society of the Luth. church, reported to Synod the result of his labors within our bounds, viz:

Collected in Germantown, Rev. C. W. Schæffer's congregation,	$15 25
" " Lancaster, " Dr. Baker's "	47 37
" " Harrisburg, " C. A. Hay's "	106 25
" " Rev. Menges' charge, ...	63 41
Rev. Krotel $2, New Holland cong. $16 50, Hamburg, Rev. Mr. Keller $11 74, ...	31 14
Rev. Schindel's charge $228 51, Rev. Bauer's charge, $10 48, Dry-land $17 12, ...	261 11
Rev. German's charge $36 37, Rev. Kæmmer's charge $88 14,	125 51
Rev. Medtart's charge $30 75, Rev. G. F. Miller's charge $33 55, Rev. H. S. Miller's charge $14 20,.....	78 45
Rev. J. C. Smith's charge $81 07, Rev. J. Rœller's charge $87 78, and Rev. Joshua Jæger's charge $55 82,.....	224 67
Rev. T. T. Jæger, in Womelsdorf $9 50, Rev. G. A. Wenzel $42 28,.....	51 78
Rev. A. Fuchs $70 70, Rev. C. Miller $1 75, ...	72 45
From several persons in Reading, viz: Dr. Muhlenberg $10, Mrs. Roda & Wm. Nichols $5, A. Bickel $1, B. Schalter $1, Mr. Deininger $5,.....	22 00
	$1,100 99

LIX. *Resolved,* That as certain shameful practices, such as the selling of spiritous liquors, beer, &c., have often occured upon the

occasions of the laying of corner-stones and the consecration of organs and churches, this Synod advise all the brethren to refuse participating on such occasions where such usages are tolerated; and that the church councils of our different churches be earnestly requested to avail themselves of the authority, conferred on them by law, for the correction of this evil.

The proposition of Rev. C. W. Schæffer in regard to an amendment of the Constitution, Chap. 8, §. 2, was unanimously adopted.

Reports on the Minutes of different Synods.

1. SYNOD OF NEW YORK.

The New York Ministerium assembled on the 31st of Aug., 1850, at Churchtown, Columbia co., N. Y. The officers are Dr. W. D. Strobel, Pres.; Dr. C. F. Schæffer, Secr.; and Rev. J. C. Duy, Treas. The body consists of 38 ordained ministers. The parochial report exhibits 33 congregations and 7332 communicants. Our delegate, Rev. C. W. Schæffer, was cordially received. Our Hymn Book, which was laid before them by our delegate, was thankfully received and recommended to their German congregations. Rev. Dr. Strobel was appointed delegate to this body and we are gratified to observe him now in our midst.

2. SYNOD OF MARYLAND.

The 32d Session of this body was held in Washington, Oct. 17th, 1850. The officers are Rev. Dr. Morris, Pres.; Rev. J. J. Riemensnyder, Secr.; and Rev. J. P. Anstædt, Treas. It is mentioned in the minutes that our delegate, Rev. G. A. Reichert, was not in attendance.

Respectfully submitted, E. Breidenbaugh.

3. EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF OHIO.

This Synod met at Uniontown, Muskingcum co., Ohio, Sept. 26th, 1850. The officers are Rev. E. Greenwald, Pres., Rev. D. Spark, Secr.; Rev. J. Rothacker, Treas. The congregations in connection with this Synod are generally in a flourishing condition; but there is a great want of ministers.

4. SYNOD OF WEST PENNSYLVANIA.

On the 26th of September, 1850, this Synod met at New Berlin, Union co., Pa. The officers are Rev. Prof. Jacobs, Pres.; Rev. B. Sadtler, Secr.; Rev. S. Boyer, Treas. Our delegate, Rev. W. J. Eyer, was cordially received and Rev. S. K. Brobst admitted as an advisory member.

G. F. Miller.

5. SYNOD OF THE GERMAN REFORMED CHURCH.

This Synod met at Martinsburg, Va., Oct. 10th, 1850. It appears from the minutes that our delegate did not attend. There is nothing in the minutes referring to this body except that the following persons were appointed as delegates to this Synod, viz: Rev. C. R. Kessler and J. Ziegler as primarii, and A. H. Kræmer and C. G. Herman, secundi.

6. GENERAL SYNOD OF THE LUTHERAN CHURCH.

This Synod assembled at Charleston, S. C., April 27th, 1850. Its officers are Rev. Prof. Schmucker, Pres.; Rev. G. Diehl, Secr.;

Dr. Gilbert, Treas. Sixteen District Synods stand in connection with the General Synod. There is nothing in the minutes referring particularly to this body. Much important business was transacted for the promotion of the interests of the Lutheran church, in general.

L. G. EGGERS.

These reports were all adopted.

Delegates to corresponding Synods were then appointed, viz:

To the Synod of West Pennsylvania, Rev. Dr. Schæffer and as alternate Rev. Charles A. Hay.

To the Synod of New York, Rev. W. J. Eyer and as alternate Rev. A. T. Geissenhainer.

To the Synod of Maryland, Rev. J. W. Richards.

To the Synod of the German Reformed church, Rev. Dr. Baker and Rev. J. W. Richards.

To the Synod of East Pennsylvania, Rev. W. J. Eyer.

To the Synod of Ohio, Rev. Dr. Demme and Rev. J. C. Zeumer.

LX. *Resolved*, That the usual number of German and English Minutes be printed this year and distributed by the Secretary to our ministers and those of other Synods.

The Synod then proceeded to decide upon the time and place for the next meeting. An invitation was extended by the congregation at Lancaster through their Pastor, the Rev. Dr. Baker, and it was accordingly

LXI. *Resolved*, That Lancaster be the place and Trinity Sunday the time of our next annual meeting.

The Delegates were now dismissed by the President.

II. MISSIONARY BUSINESS.

FIRST SESSION.

The Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Missionary Society now read the Annual Report, whereupon it was

I. *Resolved*, That this report be adopted.

REPORT

OF THE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF PENNSYLVANIA,

READ AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SOCIETY, HELD AT ALLENTOWN, JUNE 17th, ~~1850.~~ 1851

Heathen Mission.

The only communication received by the corresponding Secretary of this Society, from Missionary HEYER, during the past year, is dated Gurgal, April 8th, 1850, and is addressed to the "*Dear Youth of the Evangelical Lutheran Congregations in Philadelphia.*" In this letter he imparts to his dear friends information respecting the origin and progress of the mission in the Palnaud District. After his return from his visit to the United States, he labored for a season in con-

nection with his brethren GUNN and MERTZ, in Guntoor; but as a number of persons, resident in the district of Palnaud, manifested a desire to hear the Gospel, Brother HEYER came to the conclusion, after mature deliberation and fervent prayer, to remove thither, and make that the scene of his labors. In several towns he erected schools and imparted Christian instruction. A number embraced Christianity and requested, through the ordinance of *Baptism*, to be received into the Christian church. They were further instructed in the teachings of Christ, and after they had given satisfactory evidences of their faith, and of the sincerity of their intentions, they were baptized. Missionary Heyer visits the different villages and towns, in which Christian families reside, inspects the condition of the schools, preaches the Gospel to all, who are willing to hear—and distributes religious tracts.

At Polipolly he has erected a church, 32 feet in depth, and 18 in width, and which, on the 10th of February of the past year, was solemnly consecrated to the service of God. He also contemplates the erection of a church at *Veldurty*, to which the local Government has contributed 2 acres of ground. He has also erected a Dwelling-House at Gurgal, designed as the residence of a young man, who has served with commendable industry as Reader and Catechist in the Mission. The Missionary ground at Gurgal he has caused to be protected by the erection of a wall.

ON THE 18th of March, 1850, Brother HEYER had the gratification to be joined by two other Missionaries, the Rev. Messrs. SCHARKY and DARLING. Both reside in Masulipatam, and belong to the Missionary Society of the Church of England. Brother HEYER writes: "These brethren had learned, that the gospel had met with most gratifying success in these regions, and they, therefore, came here in person, to satisfy themselves of the truth of this intelligence. On Friday afternoon we had public Worship at Gurgal. Br. Scharky, who is well conversant with the Telugu language, delivered an impressive discourse. During the ensuing night, we repaired to Polipolly, where the people, on Saturday *Evening and Sabbath*, attended the religious exercises in large numbers, and manifested great joy to see three Missionaries coming into their midst at one and the same time. Br. Scharky preached twice and Br. Darling once—and had also much conversation respecting the truths of the gospel. The congregation on Sabbath morning consisted of over 150 individuals—and a like number attended in the afternoon. About two thirds of these people have publicly manifested their willingness to embrace Christianity—others have already been baptized—and others are soliciting and receiving instruction, preparatory to the administration of this holy sacrament. The brethren from Masulipatam were alike astonished and gratified with these results, which exceeded their most sanguine expectations."

Missionary VALETT, of Rajamundry, has also visited Br. HEYER on repeated occasions, and preached in his congregations. Br. VALETT was employed by the North German Missionary Society—but as, owing to the disturbances in Germany, the said Society could no longer sustain this mission, the Foreign Missionary Society of our Church has assumed the same. This Society contemplates shortly to send several other Missionaries to East India, and when this

purpose shall have been accomplished, there will be a sufficiency of Preachers of our church in that field of labor, to constitute a small Synod.

During the past year, the President of our Synod received two reports from Brother Heyer, who caused them to be published in our church journals—but as we have not these reports at hand we are unable to give their contents. But thus much we do know, that the cause of Missions is prospering in the hands of Br. Heyer, and that there are constant accessions to Christianity where he labors, who are regularly received into the church by the solemn rite of Baptism. At the latest advices, he had **120** persons under instruction—as candidates for this holy sacrament, who have not unlikely, before now, all been baptized.

Domestic Missions.

The brethren who in the course of the past year have been in the service of the SOCIETY are: *Charles L. Erle, Charles C. A. Brandt, Fr. Waltz, Martin Sondhaus, Francis Godfrey Zeumer, and Gustavus A. Neuffer.*

Brother Erle continues to labor at Cherry Valley, Sullivan county, Pa. He preaches regularly, administering the Holy Sacraments, and the work of the Lord seems to be prospering in his hands. During the last year two churches have been erected by his congregations, one of which was to have been consecrated on last Whitsunday. On this occasion the *Lord's Supper* was to be administered. No further report of his labors has consequently been received. In his congregation in Bradford county 23 persons joined in communion on the 1st instant—several years since the number of communicants did not exceed 7 or 8. During the last year he baptized **40** children, and had 3 funerals. He expresses his unfeigned gratitude to the Society for the support hitherto extended to him, and requests, in case his services be deemed worthy of continuance, to be advised of the same, that he may be governed accordingly.

Brother BRANDT labored in the first six months of the past year in Manayunk, Rising Sun, and Norristown. At Manayunk a church was erected, towards which he collected contributions in the vicinity. He has vacated this post, and removed to New York, where he preaches to the EMIGRANTS, and also on Sabbath mornings in St. Mark's church. Br. Brandt applies for $100 out of the Missionary Fund, wherewith to defray the rent of the building which he has leased where to preach to the emigrants. Pastor *Geissenhainer* informed him that several years ago we appropriated $200 towards the support of a Missionary in New York. But as this appropriation continued for but a single year —and as we knew not by whom Br. Brandt was employed—the committee has unanimously resolved to submit the entire subject to the action of Synod at its present session. Br. Brandt appears to be deeply impressed with the importance and necessity of his enterprise, and says in his report: "*I have begun the Emigrant Church here at my own expense, and with great sacrifice,* and have thus far continued with the enterprize, that the imperative necessity of the same must be apparent to every one, who has heart and mind for the Lutheran Church in America. The Lord will impart his further help—

and inspire our united Eastern Synods with zeal for the prosperity of this truly indispensable Missionary station. If, (as I doubt not,) the Very Honorable Missionary Society will take this post of labor under their fostering and patronising care, I will be regarded by the next Synod as again in their service."

Mr. Brandt requests the Synod to present to the Emigrant Church the $50 which were advanced to him in Manayunk.

Brother Waltz resides in Wilmington and serves in connection with that congregation also the congregation in Manayunk. With gratitude to God he can exclaim, in reviewing the many cares and difficulties of his post, and the gracious aid and divine forbearance experienced by him during the past official year, "my labor has not been in vain in the Lord." His field of labor is indeed small and the prospect of increase is not encouraging, but the Lord has often granted him a sense of his presence, for although several have left his church, much to his regret, yet peace and harmony prevail in the congregation and most of the members manifest an ardent zeal in the cause of Christ's kingdom. This was most strikingly manifested by the interest taken in the missionary lectures, delivered from time to time. Up to the middle of January he preached at Wilmington twice every Sabbath in a rented room, for which the congregation had to pay at the rate of $100 a year. In the morning he had on an average 40 and in the evening from 25 to 30 hearers. Their number would doubtless have been greater, had they a church in which to hold their service. The little band of faithful members exert themselves to the utmost to sustain him; but after paying the rent they will scarcely be able to give him more than $150. The Sunday-school, commenced last summer, was well attended, as long as Br. Waltz could conduct it himself, but when, on account of the state of his health he could no longer be regularly present, the children ceased to attend. The prospects of the speedy establishment of an independent congregation at Wilmington are not very encouraging, as there are so few Germans there; nevertheless the effort should by no means be entirely abandoned.

An opportunity has been afforded the Executive Committee, by the vacancy of the Missionary station at Manayunk, to meet the wants of both places. From the 19th of January Br. Waltz preached every three weeks in Manayunk, until the new church was consecrated. From that time he began to preach there every two weeks. At the request of the Executive Committee he went to Rising Sun, but could accomplish nothing, for he was sent from one to the other until night overtook him and he was compelled to hasten to Philadelphia. He afterwards designed to visit that place regularly after his service in Manayunk, but was always prevented by unforeseen obstacles. He hopes, however, at his next appointment, to see what can be done there. On the other hand he made an attempt in Norristown which proved in like manner abortive, notwithstanding the friendly efforts of the Rev. Mr. McCron. It is manifest that a charge composed of two congregations 36 miles apart, must be a very difficult one and would be rendered still more so should another be added. He will, however, earnestly endeavor to afford an opportunity to the Germans at Rising Sun to hear the gospel. These congregations could most easily be served from Philadelphia, and perhaps in connection with others.

But this station would in that case be somewhat more expensive. The Sunday-school at Manayunk, that had for some time ceased to exist, was resuscitated by Br. Waltz. And he had also the pleasure to observe that upon the occasion of the consecration of the new church our new Hymn Book was introduced. During the last year he baptized 18, administered the communion to 82 and buried 2 persons.

Brother Sondhaus served the congregation at Long Hill, in New Jersey. During the year, however, he left that congregation and took charge of the Tamaqua district. As this is not a Missionary station, we no longer regard him as responsible to us.

Br. Zeumer, who was stationed in East New York and was occupied for a while as Rev. Stohlman's assistant, has taken charge of the congregation in Pittsburg formerly served by Br. Vogelbach. He found this congregation in a sad condition, but by the divine assistance he has in a great measure overcome the difficulties that existed there and it is to be hoped that the congregation under his care will once more flourish and improve. So far as is known to us, the congregation in East New York is still vacant.

Brother Neuffer in Birmingham has sent in no report, although we informed him three months since that a report would be expected of him. He is probably sick. From the "Missionary," a paper published by Rev. Mr. Passavant in Pittsburg, we learn that his congregation in Birmingham has built a fine church and that the number of members is increasing from week to week.

The attention of the Executive Committee was directed to Tioga and Schuylkill counties, at the last meeting of the Synod and the wish was expressed that missionaries should be sent there. We endeavored to comply with this request but could find no missionaries to send. There is great need of more ministers in our church. We can get preachers from Germany, but in very many places such are needed as can preach in both languages. The church should therefore feel it to be her duty to educate pious young men in this country for the ministry, and therefore better to sustain our literary and theological institutions and to make abundant provision for the education of pious but poor young men who desire to be prepared for the ministry.

May the Lord continue to own and bless our church and make her more and more a church "without spot or wrinkle or any such thing" holy and unblamable in love!

ANNUAL MISSIONARY MEETING OF THE SYNOD OF PENNSYLVANIA.

HELD TUESDAY EVENING, JUNE 17th, 1851.

A large audience assembled. The exercises were commenced by the singing of the 233d hymn. Prayer was then offered up by Rev. Vogelbach for the coming of the kingdom of Christ throughout the world according to his promises. O that every heart would cheerfully respond to every such prayer! The Chairman of the Executive Committee, Rev. Dr. Baker now read, in the German language, the Annual Report, which was listened to with marked attention. In this year, also, according to the report, the Lord has blessed the feeble

efforts of his servants. May he continue to bless our labors! Br. Mengert then arose and addressed the audience in the German language. As he had been for more than ten years missionary in Hindoostan, he could speak from experience and he was listened to with increased interest because it was known that he spoke of what he had seen and heard. He described and illustrated the fearful errors of idolatry and its sad consequences. He described also, briefly, the manner in which the missionaries labor among the heathen. How exceedingly difficult it is to make a beginning and secure willing and susceptible hearers! He spoke also of the feelings of loneliness and solitariness which often assail the servant of Christ in the far-off lands of heathenism. The only ground of consolation for him at such times is the word of the Lord "Behold, I am with you, even unto the end of the world!" And far away, in christian lands, are brethren in the faith who warmly sympathize with him and remember him in prayer and by their cheerful offerings. May we also remember our faithful laborers and show them by our deeds that we wish to be co-laborers with them in the vineyard of the Lord!

The report was now to have been read in the English language, but as the evening was already far advanced, that was omitted and Br. Hay addressed the congregation in English. He spoke particularly of our Home Missionary operations among our Lutheran brethren. He directed attention to the fact, that we here possess already many facilities that can only be gradually acquired among the heathen. How long a time often elapses before a foreign missionary can find access to the people, here this is already gained. He described the great spiritual destitution of our brethren in the far West. "The harvest is great, but the laborers are few." Hence the great necessity of zealous efforts and of such institutions in which preachers for this region can be educated. *We* must provide for the destitute Germans in America. We cannot depend upon obtaining a supply from Germany—she needs her faithful, evangelical preachers of righteousness at home. O that we could but appreciate the wants of our Zion in our own country, so that with united efforts, under the blessing of God, we might labor to supply our poor destitute brethren with the bread of life!

Prayer was then offered up by Rev. Dr. Strobel, of New York; and, after the singing of a hymn, a collection was taken up and the congregation was dismissed.

May the exhortations to fidelity we have this day heard make a permanent impression upon us, so that our next anniversary—if the Lord spares us to celebrate it—may exhibit an increasing zeal in this work, so dear to him. And may all that is done redound to the glory of the Father, to the praise of the blessed Redeemer and to the welfare of our immortal souls! Amen!

Further Missionary Business.

II. *Resolved,* That the following brethren receive aid from the missionary treasury, viz: Cand. Brandt, $200; Cand. Neuffer, $100; Rev. J. W. Wilken, $100, upon condition that his congregation consent to regard itself as a missionary congregation of our Synod;

Rev. Waltz, $200, whilst continuing to serve both Wilmington and Manayunk; Rev. Erle $25.

Rev. Mr. Kessler, one of the delegates of the German Reformed Synod, now withdrew. He stated, that he had always entertained a predilection for this body; but that now, having become acquainted, personally, with many of its members and having witnessed the untiring zeal manifested by us in the Master's cause, we had greatly risen in his estimation, and the days he had spent among us would never be forgotten by him. He hoped, that the fraternal relations, that had for so many years subsisted between us and the Synod of the German Reformed church, would remain unimpaired and that the blessing of God might rest upon us. To these sentiments a cordial response was tendered by the President, both towards himself, personally, and towards the Synod he represented.

III. *Resolved,* That the following brethren have permission to withdraw this afternoon, viz: Rev. C. F. Welden, and Rev. F. A. M. Keller.

IV. *Resolved,* That we adjourn, to meet at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Prayer by Rev. Wenzel.

SECOND SESSION.

Afternoon, 2 o'clock.

Prayer by Dr. Demme.

V. *Resolved,* That the discussion of the resolution, passed last year, instructing the Executive Committee to report at this meeting in regard to the expediency of effecting an union between ourselves and the Home Missionary Society of the Evangelical Lutheran church, be postponed until next year.

VI. *Resolved,* That our Executive Committee consult with the Executive Committees of the Home and of the Foreign Missionary Society of the Evangelical Lutheran church in regard to the publication of a sketch of Missions in foreign lands and in our own country, and that the rules of the Home Missionary Society, recently published in the "Kirchenbote," be appended to said publication.

VII. *Resolved,* That $100 be appropriated from the Missionary treasury in aid of the Swedish mission in the West.

VIII. *Resolved,* That a committee be appointed to prepare a German Lutheran Almanac during the course of the year and make report at the next meeting of Synod. Committee: The President, Rev. J. W. Richards, Rev. W. J. Mann, Rev. S. K. Brobst. (The attention of the brethren was likewise directed to the English Lutheran Almanac published at Baltimore and to the propriety of their interesting themselves in its circulation.)

Rev. Sallman presented, through Rev. Brobst, a written apology for absence, and it was

IX. *Resolved,* That this brother be excused.

III. PROCEEDINGS OF THE MINISTERIUM.

FIRST SESSION.

Tuesday, 11 *o'clock, A. M.*

Rev. Charles F. Schæffer, D. D., who had received a call from St. John's church at Easton and was thereupon honorably dismissed from the Synod of New York, now applied for admission to this body. It was therefore unanimously

I. *Resolved,* That Dr. C. F. Schæffer be received as a member of this Ministerium and take his seat according to the date of his ordination.

Rev. W. J. Mann, having been honorably dismissed from the Synod of the German Reformed church, applied through Rev. G. A. Reichert for admission into this Ministerium. It was unanimously

II. *Resolved,* That Rev. W. J. Mann be received as a member of this body.

III. *Resolved,* That Br. Peixoto and Br. Mann take their seats according to the date of their ordination.

IV. *Resolved,* That we now adjourn until to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Prayer by Rev. Dr. Baugher.

SECOND SESSION.

Tuesday, 3 *o'clock, P. M.*

Rev. J. McCron, who has accepted a call from the church at Norristown, and was honorably dismissed from the Synod of East Pennsylvania, applied for admission into our Ministerium. Whereupon it was

V. *Resolved,* That Br. McCron be received as a member of this Ministerium.

VI. *Resolved,* That Br. McCron's delegate, Mr. Henry Lehman, have a seat and vote.

Report of the Examining Committee.

The Examining Committee would respectfully report, that they have examined Messrs. John F. Hornberger, Daniel Sell, George Washington Scheide and Gustavus Hinterleitner in the usual branches, that this resulted in the entire satisfaction of the committee and that these applicants are therefore recommended for licensure. They also received an application for admission from Rev. Anton Lachenmeyer.

In the name of the Committee,

E. Peixoto.

Whereupon it was

VII. *Resolved,* That the following persons be received as Candidates of this Ministerium, and that the President and Secretary furnish them with licenses for one year, viz: John F. Hornberger, Daniel Sell, George Washington Scheide and Gustavus Hinterleitner.

VIII. *Resolved*, That the following brethren be received as members of this body: John Frederick Wilken, John Henry Mengert, Christian Anton Frederick Popp and John Conrad Schwankowsky.

IX. *Resolved*, That Rev. A. Lachenmeyer be received as a member of this Ministerium as soon as he obtains an honorable dismission from the Synod to which he has hitherto belonged.

X. *Resolved*, That we sanction the proposition of the Examining Committee in relation to Mr. John Grimm.

XI. *Resolved*, That although the Rev. Mr. Marshop of Newark is stated by the President of the Synod of New York to be a person of irreproachable character, yet we cannot constitutionally receive him into our Ministerium until he has obtained a dismission from that Synod, which we hope will soon be granted him.

The different committees, to which the journals and sermons of the Licentiates were referred for examination, reported so favorably, that it was unanimously

XII. *Resolved*, That the Licentiates R. S. Wagner, J. Menges, E. W. Hutter, J. R. Focht and J. Clemens Miller be ordained this evening.

XIII. *Resolved*, That we now adjourn.

Prayer by Rev. H. S. Miller.

THIRD SESSION.

Thursday, 2 o'clock, P. M.

XIV. *Resolved*, That the license of Cand. C. C. A. Brandt be renewed for one year.

A letter was presented to the Ministerium from the St. Peter's congregation at Pinegrove, Schuylkill county, in which they state, that they have unanimously elected Mr. Sapper as their Pastor, and express the desire to retain him; and also, that Mr. Sapper is ready to appear before a committee of the Synod for examination. In consequence, however, of the unfavorable reports that are in circulation in reference to the moral character of Mr. Sapper, it was

XV. *Resolved*, That we have nothing to do with him and that the Secretary be instructed to inform the churches of Pinegrove and Tremont of this fact.

A letter was laid before the Ministerium from G. Neuffer, Birmingham, in which he apologizes for his absence on the ground of poverty and his teaching a school. He cordially thanks the Synod for the $100 that had been granted him. He states, that the congregation at Birmingham have purchased a lot on the principal street for $2000 and erected a church upon it, which was consecrated on the first Sunday in Advent, 1850. He also lays before the Ministerium his consistorial credentials, from which it can be seen how long he has been a Licentiate.

XVI. *Resolved*, That he be excused and his license renewed for one year.

In regard to the letter of Rev. P. F. Feysel, it was

XVII. *Resolved*, That it be given to the President, who is hereby authorized to act in the matter according to his judgment.

XVIII. *Resolved*, That the examination of applicants shall hereafter be public and that the Examining Committee agree among themselves which of them shall examine in the several branches.

XIX. *Resolved*, That the applicants for admission to the Synod be required to inform the President or the Examining Committee of their intention to apply, at least three months before the annual meeting of Synod, unless prevented by unavoidable circumstances.

XX. *Resolved*, That Rev. Dr. Baker, Rev. J. Vogelbach and Rev. C. A. Hay be a committee to instal Br. Menges in his new church, at Columbia.

The Examining Committee for the next year consists of Rev. Dr. Demme, Rev. C. Miller, Rev. G. A. Reichert, E. Peixoto and C. W. Schæffer.

The President now announced that there was no further business to be transacted.

The separation of dear friends is always an occasion of sadness. The members of Synod see each other but once a year and then return to their families and congregations to engage with new vigor and zeal in the discharge of their official duties. But the days they spend together at Synod are days of joy, of edification and of encouragement. The feelings of those who anticipate with aversion the time of our annual meeting and therefore sieze upon the most trifling excuse to apologize for their absence, are not to be envied: for the cordial grasp of the hand, the confidential intercourse, the mutual encouragements to fidelity in the discharge of our official duties, are dear and precious to all whose hearts are full of the love of God and who are warmly interested in the prosperity of the Redeemer's kingdom. Especially upon this occasion was there cause to regret the necessity of so soon terminating our meeting. Never did we attend a Synod that made such a happy impression upon us. Peace, harmony and christian unity of spirit reigned amongst us; yea, the spirit of Christ was in our midst, and the transactions of this session under his blessing cannot but result in permanent good. Once more, to this end, we joined in a hymn of praise and, according to the custom of the fathers, on bended knees approached the throne of grace, whilst the President returned thanks to our Heavenly Father for the abundant blessings lavished upon us and for the extension of kingdom amongst us, and interceded in behalf of a sick brother who is probably near his end.

The members of the Synod, together with a large number of devout worshippers, assembled on the evening of the 18th of June, 1851, when the ordination sermon was preached by Rev. Peixoto, from Acts 2 : 42. According to a resolution of the Ministerium five Licentiates were then solemnly ordained by the President, aided by the Treasurer and Secretary.

Rev. C. Miller then arose and thanked the congregation for the cordial hospitality with which they had received and entertained us.

Lord Jesus, most precious Savior, we praise Thee for that glorious righteousness which Thou hast wrought out for us and art even now so freely offering to us, through the word of truth. So teach us by Thy spirit the perfection and exceeding dignity of Thy righteous-

ness that we may regard all human righteousness as filth and dross. Bring forth and strengthen in our hearts that faith by which alone we obtain an interest in that righteousness and aid us by sincere repentance and the forsaking of all unrighteousness to exercise true faith. And when we have apprehended Thy righteousness, teach us very highly to esteem it, to rejoice in it, and advancing in holiness, to obtain ever new assurances of faith; and when our end draws nigh, banish from our soul and from our thoughts all but Thyself and Thy righteousness; and for all this we bring Thee all honor, praise and adoration now and for ever more. Amen!!

That the above is a faithful account of the transactions of the Synod and Ministerium assembled at Allentown, June 15—19th, 1851, I hereby testify,

WILLIAM J. EYER,
Secretary of the Ministerium.

APPENDIX.

No. 1.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

NAMES OF THE MINISTERS according to the date of their ordination.	Congregations.	Baptized.	Confirmed.	Commun.	Burials.	SCHOOLS. Congreg.	SCHOOLS. Sunday	CONTRIBUTIONS. Synodical Treasury.	CONTRIBUTIONS. Missionary Treasury.	Education.	REMARKS.
Rev. D. Ulrich,	5	120	50	985	40	3	3	$3 54	$15 00		
" W. Bætis, Sen. Min.	1	87	22	404	12		1	2 50	2 50		
" J. C. Baker, D. D.	1	135	55	755	75		3	10 00	101 50		
" J. W. Hemping,		6			6				1 00		
" J. C. Strein,											
" S. A. Mealy,									5 00		
" F. W. Geissenhainer,	1	321	50	900	230	2	2				
" C. Miller,	5	215	113	1340	61	3	3	7 00	7 00		
" H. G. Stecher,	2	30	14	296	24		2	1 46	3 00		
" S. Trumbauer,	4	80	16	388	49		2	3 00	11 00		
" C. R. Demme, D. D. } " G. A. Reichert, } " W. J. Mann,	1	721	114	1632	233	4	5	52 69	380 00		
" J. Stein,	7	145	69	850	71		4	2 00	15 00		
" G. F. J. Jæger,	8	167	69	1281	60	8	1	2 00	23 00		
" William J. Eyer,	6	139	49	810	43		2	2 00	23 48		
" John W. Richards,	1	99	8		37		2		30 00*		* Br. Richards reports for Easton and only for nine months. Of this sum $9 51 are for the Sunday schools in India.
" J. Bahl,	8	110	78	604	31		3	1 00	4 00		
" Henry S. Miller,	4	58	21	750	42		3	10 00	13 18		
" C. P. Miller,	5	101	37	350	45		5	3 50	8 00		
" E. Peixoto,	3	72	43	489	29			2 00	13 50		
" William German,	5										

" William B. Kæmmer,	7	125	79	960	49		4	5 00	5 00		
" Joshua Jæger,	6	180	63	1080	52	6	1		29 27		
" C. F. Schæffer, D. D.	1							5 00	21 28		
" Joseph B. Gross,	3	23	16	200	11		2				
" Isaac Rœller,	8	189	112	1221	42	3					
" John B. Benninger,											
" Gustavus Schulze,	4										
" Jeremiah Schindel,	8	178	94	1999	42	8	10	2 00	30 00		
" J. H. Mengert,	1										
" Jacob Medtart,	2	14	20	197	4		2	4 00	8 00		
" C. F. Welden,	7	36	77	529	8			5 00	16 00		
" Andrew Fuchs,	5	150	7	540	25	2	3	1 00	27 28		
" J. C. Barnitz,	2	30	20	127	10		1				
" C. W. Schæffer,	1	25		270	11		1	1 00	49 00		
" L. G. Eggers,	5	45	21	360	46		4	1 00	15 00		
" J. McCron,	1										
" G. W. Merz,	1										
" W. G. Minnig,	4	128	40	475	54		4	1 50	73 00*		* For Foreign Missions.
" C. F. Stœver,	3							2 00	3 00		
" Daniel Kohler,	2										
" A. T. Geissenhainer,			5								
" J. F. Wilken,	1										
" C. F. Friederich,	1										
" Charles A. Hay,	1	38	21	310	27		1		90 00*	$160 00	* $20 of this amount was contributed by the Sunday school.
" E. Breidenbaugh,	3	35	21	160	17		5	2 00	22 00		
" E. A. Bauer,	7	200	54	1058	56	2	1	3 27	24 54		
" F. A. M. Keller,	3	180	34	189	38		1	2 00	8 37		
" C. F. F. Sallman,	4	61	25	289	21		1				
" J. Vogelbach,	3	51		400	19		2	2 12	14 00		
" Charles Erle,	3										
" G. A. Wenzel,	2	46	25	470	27		2	2 00	32 00		
" H. Garlich,	1	65	.4	118	16	1	1		25 00*		* Transmitted to the Foreign Missionary Society.
" C. G. A. Neuman,	7										
" John Kohler,	1	17	·15	85	20		1	3 00	10 00		
" Nathan Jæger,	7	129	71	450	41	1	5	2 00	50 00		

" J. C. Schmidt,	4	83	34	624	32	6	3			
" Augustus Bergner,	7									
" P. F. Feysel,	1	41	8	150	10	1	1			
" J. C. Zeumer,	1	149	22	813	65	1	1	3 50	21 50	
" W. Heilig,										
" C. A. F. Popp,	1									
" F. Walz,	2	18		82	2			1 50	3 50	
" J. C. Schwankowsky,	1	62	14	430	24	1	1	2 00		
" M. Sondhaus,	5	45		112	10		1	1 00	12 00	
" S. K. Brobst,		30			12			2 00		
" W. Gerhard,	3	56	21	214	46		2		8 00	
" G. F. Miller,	4	120	103	1453	46		4		25 00	
" G. F. Krotel,	3	124	108	958	53		3	10 00	74 00	
" T. T. Jæger,	8	151	50	850	48	7	3	1 00	21 50	
" R. S. Wagner,	6	53	29	396	13	5	1			
" John Menges,	3	33	19	264	28		3	2 00	8 00	
" Edwin W. Hutter,	1									
" J. R. Focht,	3	86	37	331	7		4	1 00	65 00*	* $5 of this amount for Home Missions.
" J. Clemens Miller,	2	9	19	230	14		2	4 00	4 50	
Cand. C. C. A. Brandt,	1	77	5	105	7					
" G. W. Scheide,										
" G. Hinterleitner,										
" D. Sell,										
" J. Hornberger,										
Manayunk congregation,									3 00	
M. M. Contribution from a Missionary friend of Berks co.									10 00	
Collection in the Lutheran church in Allentown,									21 29	
From Rev. Krotel,*									5 00	* Contributions to the Synodical and Miss. Treasuries, which the Treasury received during the Synodical year.
From Rev. L. Gerhard,*									13 00	
From St. John's congregation at Phila.*									185 00	
From J. Strein,*								5 00		
From J. W. Richards in Easton,*									30 00†	† $9 51 from the Sunday school at Easton.
From Mr. Wollenweber,								180 95		
	238	5700	2101	30284	2141	64	122	360 53	1719 19	

No. 2.

ALPHABETICAL REGISTER OF THE MINISTERS BELONGING TO THE SYNOD, TOGETHER WITH THEIR POST OFFICE ADDRESS AND THE CONGREGATIONS SERVED BY THEM.

NAMES OF MINISTERS, arranged in alphabetical order.	POST OFFICE.	Congr.	NAMES OF THE CONGREGATIONS.
Bætis, W., Sen. Min.	Lancaster, Pa	1	Zion's congregation, Lancaster, (German.)
Bahl, J.	Berwick, Columbia county,	8	Berwick, Briarcreek, Mifflin, St. Paul, Orangeville, Newport, Nesco-
Barnitz, J. C.	Millersville, Lancaster county,	2	Millersville. [peck, Wapwallopeck.
Bauer, E. A.	Lehighton, Carbon county,	7	West Penn, East Penn, Mahoning, Weisport, St. Paul's, Chesnut Hill,
Baker, J. C., D. D.	Lancaster, Pa	1	Lancaster. [Rosstown.
Bergner, A.	Greenbriar, Northumberland county,	7	
Brandt, C. C. A.	No 134 Greenwich street, New York,	1	Emigrant congregation.
Breidenbaugh, E.	Pinegrove, Schuylkill county,	4	Pinegrove, &c.
Brobst, S. K.	Allentown, Pa		Editor of the "Jugendfreund."
Benninger, J. J.	Cunningham, Luzerne county,		
Demme, C. R., D. D.	Philadelphia,	1	St. Michael's, Zion's and Paul's church—one congregation.
Eggers, L. G.	Palmyra, Lebanon county,	5	Palmyra, Campbelstown, Bindnagel's, Schell's.
Erle, Charles	Cherry, Sullivan county,	4	Zion, Belatimer, Friedens Christ.
Eyer, William J.	Catawissa, Columbia county,	6	Catawissa, Bloomsburg, Roaringcreek, Fishers, Mahoning, New Co-
Feysel, F. P.	Syracuse, Onondaga county, N Y	1	Syracuse. [lumbia.
Friederich, C. G.	Alleghany city,	1	Alleghany.
Fuchs, Andrew	Bath, Northampton county,	5	Bath, St. John, Plainfield, Union, Emanuel's.
Focht, J. R.	Donegal, Westmoreland county,	3	Donegal, Legomonard, India Creek.
Garlich, H.	Brooklyn, N Y	1	Brooklyn.
Geissenhainer, F. W.	No 76 East 11th street, New York,	1	New York.
Geissenhainer, A. T.	No 95 Vandom street, New York,		
Gerhard, William	Elizabethtown, Lancaster county,	4	Elizabeth, Christ, Bainbridge, Colebrook.
German, W.	Emaus, Lehigh county,	4	Salsburg, Upper Saucon, Lower Saucon, &c.
Gross, Joseph B.	Fayette, Seneca county, N Y	3	Seneca, Christ, Elsass, in Seneca and Yates counties.
Hay, Charles A.	Harrisburg, Pa	1	Harrisburg, (English.)
Heilig, W. M.	Middletown, Lancaster county,		
Hemping, J. N.	Millerstown, Dauphin county,		
Hinterleitner, G.	Richlandtown, Bucks county,		
Hornberger,	South Whitehall, Lehigh county,		
Hutter, Edwin E.	Philadelphia, Pa	1	Philadelphia, (English.)
Jæger, G. F. J.	Hamburg, Berks county,	8	Hamburg, Zion, Friedens, Paul, Bethel, Peters, Krolls, Dunkelchurch.
Jæger, Joshua	Allentown, Pa	6	Allentown, Christ, Friedens, &c. [burg, Womelsdorf.
Jæger, T. T.	Womelsdorf, Berks county,	8	Warwick, Weissenheim, Schwamm, Muddycreek, Jerusalem, Rehres-
Jæger, Nathan	Orwigsburg, Schuylkill county,	7	Orwigsburg, Sommerberg, Middleport, McKeansburg, Port Clinton.
Kæmmer, W. B.	Richlandtown, Bucks county,	6	Flatland, Hilltown, Ridgeroad, Bedminster, Williamstown, &c.
Keller, F. A. M.	Reading, Berks county,	3	St. James in Reading, Hamburg, (English.)

Kohler, Daniel	Kutztown, Berks county,	6	Bern, St. Paul's, Preistown, Upper Milford, &c.
Kohler, John	New Holland, Lancaster county,	1	New Holland.
Krotel, G.	Lebanon, Lebanon county,	3	Lebanon, Myerstown, Millerstown.
Mann, J. W.	Philadelphia, Pa.	1	(See Dr. Demme's report.) Third preacher in the same congregation.
McCron, J.	Norristown, Montgomery county,	1	Norristown.
Mealy, S. A.	Canton, Stark county, Ohio		
Medtart, J.	Blue Bell, Montgomery county,	2	St. John's in Whitplain, and St. Peter's.
Mengert, J. H.	Williamsburg, near New York,	1	Williamsburg.
Merz, G. M.	Chambersburg, Pa.		
Miller, Conrad	New Hanover, Montgomery county,	5	Falkner Swamp, Boyer's, Sassaman's, Kieler's, &c.
Miller, G. F.	Pottstown, Montgomery county,	4	Pottstown, Amity, Oley, Friedensburg.
Miller, H. S.	Trappe, Montgomery county,	4	Trappe, Christ, Union, Jerusalem.
Miller, J. Clemens	Phœnixville, Pa.	2	St. Peter's, Zion.
Miller, C. P.	Bucksville, Bucks county,	5	Nockamixon, Durham, Springfield, Tinicum, Red Hill.
Minnig, W. G.	Pottsville, Schuylkill county,	3	Pottsville, Jerusalem, Minersville.
Menges, J. H.	Columbia, Lancaster county,	3	Columbia, (English,) Petersburg, Millersville.
Neuman, C. G. A.	Line Mountain, Northumberland county,	7	Klinger's, Deepcreek, Little Mahony, Hochwærter's, Miller's, &c.
Peixoto, E.	Tylersport, Montgomery county,	3	Old Goschenhoppen, Indianfield, Toheck.
Popp, C. A. F.	New Haven, Connecticut,	1	New Haven.
Reichert, G. A.	Philadelphia, Pa.	1	(See Dr. Demme's report.) Second preacher in the same congregation.
Richards, J. W.	Reading, Berks county,	1	Reading.
Rœller, I.	Kutztown, Berks county,	8	Mosillem, Coxtown, Merz, Longswamp, Maxatawny, Albany, Hereford.
Sallman, C. F. F.	Cunningham, Luzerne county,	4	Cunningham, Hazleton, St. John, Bush.
Schæffer, C. F., D. D.	Easton, Pa.	1	Easton.
Schæffer, C. W.	Germantown, Pa.	1	Germantown.
Schindel, Jeremiah	South Whitehall, Lehigh county,	8	Jordan, Trexlerstown, Ziegel, Union, Weissenburg, Lowhill, Heidelberg, [Fogelsville.
Schmidt, J. C.	Bernville, Berks county,	4	St. Jerusalem, St. Michael's, North Hill, Christ.
Schulze, Gustavus	Williamsport, Lycoming county,	4	Emanuel, Nippenose, Trinity, Newburg.
Schwankowsky, J. C.	Cumberland, Md.	1	Cumberland.
Scheide, George Washington	Philadelphia, Pa.		
Sell, D.	Rossville, York county,		
Stecher, H. G.	Hummelstown, Dauphin county,	2	Hummelstown, Hill Church.
Stein, John	Jonestown, Lebanon county,	7	Jonestown and vicinity.
Strein, J. J.	Lancaster, Pa.	4	Strassburg, Columbia, Rechnerstown, Conestoga, Centre.
Stœver, C. F.	Dauphin, Dauphin county,	3	Dauphin, &c.
Trumbauer, S.	Leacock, Lancaster county,	4	Zion, Centre, Bergstrass, Reamstown
Ulrich, Daniel	Stouchstown, Berks county,	5	Tulpehocken, Heidelberg, &c.
Vogelbach, Jacob	Harrisburg, Pa.	3	Harrisburg, (German,) and vicinity.
Wagner, R. S.	Reading, Berks county,	6	Elsass, Zion, Schwarzwald, Alleghany, Wyomissing, Epler's.
Walz, F.	Wilmington, Del.	2	Wilmington, Manayunk.
Wenzel, G. A.	Stone Church, Northampton county,	3	Upper Mount Bethel, &c.
Welden, C. F.	Berrysburg, Dauphin county,	5	Krebs, Schwabencreek, Steinthal, &c.
Wilken, J. F.	Wartburg, Morgan county, East Tenn.	1	Wartburg.
Zeumer, J. C.	Pittsburg, Pa.	1	Pittsburg.
In all 80 Ministers.		238	Congregations.